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THE PRESIDENT SIGNS MEASURE

Abrogating the 1832 Treaty with Russia.

UTMOST INFORMALITY MARKS THE SIGNING

Secretary Knox Is Present at the Time.

He Is the Only Person in the Office Other Than the President—Mr. Taft Hopes To Have a New Treaty Before the Old One Expires—Exchange of Messages by the President and the Czar.

Washington, Dec. 21 Immediately after reaching his office today President Taft signed the joint resolution adopted by congress ratifying his action in informing Russia that this country will terminate the treaty of 1832 at the expiration of the necessary twelve months' notice. Secretary of State Knox was the only official present when the executive's signature was affixed to the document.

Utmost informality marked the signing of the resolution.

"I see the joint resolution is on my desk, and I guess I might as well sign it right now," said the president, as he picked up a pen.

Secretary Knox was there on another matter.

Before the old treaty dies at midnight, December 31, 1912, President Taft hopes a new treaty may be negotiated.

The joint resolution makes an offer to Russia for the consummation of a new treaty, but Secretary Knox stated today, no response indicating the attitdue of Russia has been received.

Exchange of Messages.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Shortly after the president signed the treaty abrogation resolution today, the White House gave out an exchange of messages between the president and the Czar on the occasion of "Nicholas day" which was Tuesday.

Taft cabled: "I beg to offer to our majesty my cordial felicitations upon this anniversary and the assurance of my high regard and good wishes for yourself and the nation over which your majesty reigns."

The Czar has responded: "Pray accept my cordial thanks for your congratulations and good wishes."

CAMPAIGN FOR BETTER SCHOOLS

In the Rural Districts of Ohio Will Be Started.

Columbus, O., Dec. 21.—A campaign for better school conditions in the rural communities of Ohio is to be started by State School Commissioner F. W. Miller, according to announcement today. Miller recently returned from a visit in the southern part of the state, where he described school conditions as "awful." This visit, he says, convinced him of the necessity for an immediate improvement in the school system of the state. He now plans to wage a campaign for legislation which will give greater powers on the school commissioner, hoping in this manner to force change for the better. His next step he says, will be campaign of publicity which will show that school legislation by the next session of the legislature is imperative.

"It is safe a saying that many an early death of pneumonia resulting from colds contracted in school houses in Ohio whose panes are out of the windows, pour in missing from the doors, and roofs of leaky condition," said Miller, today. "In a recent trip through southeastern Ohio, I came across an abandoned school near the line between Gallia and Lawrence counties. It had been abandoned only because the teacher refused to teach in the building for fear it would fall in on her head and kill her.

"I found one school where none of the pupils appeared to be over twelve years old, and yet some of these were being taught literature, psychology and history of education. There were forty-seven pupils there."

Gets Christmas Cards.

Baltimore, Dec 21.—Cardinal Gibbons has received Christmas cards from the king and queen of Spain, the Kaiser of Austria, the prince regent of Bavaria, the king of Belgium, and the Czar of the Balkans.

Head of Smiths.

Middletown, N. Y., Dec. 21.—Mrs. Sahara E. Smith, whose maiden name was Smith, has taken for her third husband Alva C. Smith. Both her former husbands were named Smith.

Yeggs Blow Safe.

Kalida, O., Dec. 21.—Yeggs blew the postoffice safe here last night, securing $40 in money and $118 in stamps. It was the third robbery of the office in eighteen months.

STRATHAM UNABLE TO PRESS SUIT

The Gaekwar of Baroda Is Exempt from Citation.

London, Dec. 21.—Regardless of the merits of the case, Attorney George W. Statham will be unable to press his suit against the Gaekwar of Baroda whom he accused of breaking up his home.

The divorce court today handed down an opinion that since the Gaekwar is an independent reigning sovereign, he is exempt from citation. Statham has asked for permission to name the Indian prince as corespondent in his divorce suit, and to bring an action for $100,000 against him.

The attorney claims that the Gaekwar won Mrs. Statham's affections while he was here attending the coronation festivities.

The divorce suit was allowed to proceed without any corespondents being named. Statham is very prominent socially.

MAETERLINCK IS SURE TO BE NABBED

By the Reporters Who Want Him To Pay $100.

New York, Dec. 21.—Challenging the reporters of New York to a battle of wits, Maurice Materlinck, philosopher and author, is believed today to be passenger on the Olympic, approaching New York. The distinguished Belgian wagered $400 with Henry M. Russell, director of the Boston opera house, while the latter was in Europe, that he could come to America unheralded, avoid newspaper interviews and witness the initial performance of his wife, Georgette Le Blanc, in Boston.

The ship news reporters were tipped off by cable, and today they declared Materlinck might just as well prepare Russell the $400. They'll land him if he enters the port of New York, they say

A BATTLE IS ON DOWN IN MEXICO

Between Zapistas and a Detachment of Federal Troops.

Mexico City, Dec. 21.—According to reports that have reached here, a battle is on today in Jumiltepec in the northern part of the state of Morales, between Zapistas and federal troops

It is declared further that there are nearly 1,000 armed men in the state of Oaxaca who are prepared to take the field when the Reyes revolt gets under way.

SATISFACTORY IS CONDITION

Of the Finances of the United States,

SAYS PRESIDENT TAFT IN MESSAGE

On Departmental Affairs to Congress.

A Surplus of Over $47,000,000 in the Receipts for the Year Over the Expenditures Is Shown by the President's Figures, and Postoffice Department Is Self-Supporting for First Time in Years.

Washington, Dec. 21.—Uncle Sam's finances are in a "very satisfactory condition," according to President Taft's message to congress on departmental affairs, delivered today. The message discussed the nation's financial status, proposed currency reform, and many minor matters pending in the various departments.

A surplus of over $47,000,000 in the receipts of the year over the expenditures was shown by the president's figures, and he remarked that the postoffice department, for the first time in twenty-eight years, was self-supporting.

The credit of this government was shown to be better than that of any other government by the sale of Panama three per cent. bonds," said the president.

The message urged the importance of currency reform at an early date, and endorsed the main features of the Aldrich plan as proposed by the monetary commission It recommended that the government be given "reasonable representation" in the management of the proposed national reserve association, which, under the Aldrich plan, will control the country's financial resources.

The message discussed the proposed army reorganization plan in which the president found several propositions with which he disagreed The question of Panama canal tolls was recommended for early action, and the president urged that the tolls be arranged to favor American shipping. Immediate steps for the establishment of a rural parcels post was recommended

GOMPERS TO BE GIVEN A CHANCE

To Produce His Records in Federal Probe,

IS THE COMMENT OF PROSECUTOR MILLER

In Response to Remark of the Labor Leader.

Federal Investigators Openly Charge That Strong Political Influence Is Being Exerted To Prevent the Showing Up of Any Connection Between John J. McNamara and a Coterie of Politicians.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 21.—"If Gompers means what he says, he may be given the opportunity to produce his records," was the only comment made today by Federal Prosecutor Miller on the declaration of the head of the American federation that the books and records of the organization are at the disposal of the federal probers. Whether this means that certain records may be called for by the grand jury here could not be learned.

The friction between the federal and county authorities was more acute today as the result of a clash between County Prosecutor Baker and R. J. Foster, a National Erectors' detective. Baker appeared before Judge Markey in county court to apologize for the incident which threw the court into an uproar late yesterday, when the prosecutor dragged Foster before the judge, accused him of shadowing him, and demanded that he be ordered from the building, a demand which Markey peremptorily dismissed.

The charge is openly made by federal investigators that strong political influences are at work to prevent the connection between John J. McNamara, three other members of the executive committee of the international organization of the bridge workers, an official of the Federation of Labor and a coterie of politicians becoming known.

Politicians Alleged Involved.

It is alleged that McNamara's dynamiting operations were known to these politicians and that they reaped a financial harvest by protecting him. This lead is being thoroughly investigated by the federal probers, and it is because of what has been learned here that the Los Angeles inquiry is again being rushed.

J. J. McNamara's testimony is badly wanted by the government, and it developed today that since he has been in San Quentin he has been approached again and again and urged to tell all he knows.

What inducements are offered in return for this are not revealed, but it is believed here that if McNamara would agree to become a government witness he would be out of San Quentin in a very short time. He could, it is positively assorted, establish the connection between the politicians mentioned, the actual responsibility for the dynamiting, and complete the chain against the "man higher up," the government has declared surely would be indicted, but against whom it has seemingly been found impossible to complete a legal case.

Wants Full Investigation.

Washington. Dec. 21.—President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor today declared himself in favor of a federal investigation of the files, records, documents of all kinds, of the federation.

"This is my reply," said Gompers, "to those who are after 'the men higher up' and to the numerous press announcements of a "nation-wide investigation by the federal officials.' Every act of every official may be freely looked into, and I am sure that the assertions that behind the McNamaras were men of high standing in the labor councils, will be branded as false"

Will Be Investigated.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 21.—A grand jury investigation of the charge of Prosecuting Attorney Baker, of Marion county, that he and members of the grand jury which has been investigating the dynamite outrages have been "harassed and threatened by paid thugs in the employ of the National Erectors' association," was ordered today by Judge Markey in the criminal branch of the superior court.

Just before this action was taken, Markey fined Baker $50 for contempt of court as the result of his fight in open court late yesterday with one of the Erestors' detectives Baker denounced the Erectors' association in open court today, and declared they had so harassed the grand jury that one of its members became insane under the strain and was under medical treatment for a month. all of the time insisting that he was John J. McNamara and was on trial for his life.

The prosecutor was very nervous when he appeared before Judge Markey and apologized profusely for his action of yesterday in dragging Detective Foster into the presence of the court and for having tried to fell him with a baton seized from a policeman.

"But your honor will understand," Baker continued, "that for many months, I have been under a severe nervous strain as the result of having been hounded by the paid thugs of the National Erectors' association. They have been on my trail night and day and have lied about me time and again. They have accused me of holding secret conferences with Herbert S. Hockin, of the Bridge Workers' union, with Leo M. Rapaport and others of their counsel and have intimated that I was violating my oath of office. Not only have I been under this nervous strain, but the members of the grand jury have been harassed and troubled until one of them finally became insane under the strain The court knows this, and we did not discharge this man from service because we feared the motive might be misconstrued by the general public.

"This constant espionage preyed on my mind until it was responsible for the episode of yesterday which no one regrets more than I do."

Judge Markey fined the prosecutor fifty dollars, saying his conduct could not be excused, and he intimated if the apology had not been full and complete, and the justification of the character it was, the penalty, would have been more severe. He then added:

"Had you come to me quietly and told me that you were being followed I would have given you relief. I should also have instructed the grand jury to investigate. Give me the names of the men you complain of and I will have the matter taken up at once."

"The grand jury already has the names," said the prosecutor.

"Then they will investigate all of these charges," was the court's ruling.

As Baker left the court-room he stated that when the entire truth about the methods of the Erectors' association becomes known the public will be astonded.

"I have nothing to hide from the world," Baker said to the United Press correspondent, "but if either capital or labor wants me followed it will have to be by honest men and not known thugs."

YUAN AGREES TO REPUBLIC

Provided He Is Elected the President.

DR. WU TING FANG UNABLE TO PROMISE

But He Believes People Will Elect Yuan.

Shanghai Revolutionists Are Urging Wu To Promise Yuan the Presidency, Saying That It Is Certain That the People Will Be Glad To Ratify the Promise To End the Impoverishing War.

Tokyo, Dec. 21.—Yuan Shi Kai has offered to agree to a republican form of government for China provided he is elected president, according to a message from Shanghai today.

The dispatch, which is received from a representative of the Nippon Dempo Tsushin Sha, a reliable news agency, states that Dr. Wu Ting Fang, the revolutionists' chief representative at the peace conference, is willing to promise the presidency to Yuan Shi Kai.

Dr. Wu told Tang Shao Wi, the imperial peace delegate, that he was unable to promise the presidency to Yuan. He believes that the people will elect Yuan if the matter is put to a vote, but says that he is not empowered to make an" definite promises.

Revolutionists at Shanghai are urging Wu Ting Fang to promise the presidency to the premier. They say Yuan is certain of election and that Dr. Wu will be backed up by the people if he does accede to Yuan's demand, in order to bring to an end the war which is impoverishing the country.

BELMONT COUNTY WILL REMAIN DRY

St. Clairsville, O., Dec. 21. —By the narrow margin of sixty-nine votes, Belmont county remains "dry," as a result of the option election held last Saturday. The official count complete today shows that the "drys" lost 2,300 votes as compared with the results of three years ago, but still managed to have a slight majority.

INSANITY PLEA HELD PROBABLE

In the Case of Former Pastor Richeson.

SUCH IS BELIEF IN BOSTON TODAY

District Attorney Prepared for That Defense.

He Has Had Alienists at Work and Is Prepared To Show That Richeson Is Not Insane at the Time of the Murder and Was Not Insane Two or Three Days Ago—The Other Side.

Boston, Dec. 21.—Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson will go to trial January 15, his physical condition being such that he can go to court on that date.

This was the announcement made this afternoon by Dr. Howard A. Lothrop, who treated Richeson when the former minister mutilated himself with a jagged piece of tin while awaiting trial in Charles Street jail for murder of his former sweetheart, Avis Linnell.

With Dr. Lothrop's announcement came a correction of earlier reports to the effect that Richeson was still in the jail infirmary. Dr. Lothrop said:

"Dr. Richeson's wounds were so much better three hours after the operation was performed that he was taken back to his cell where he has been ever since. There is less than one chance in 5,000 that Richeson will be too ill to go into court January 15."

Insanity Plea Probable.

Boston, Dec. 21.—Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson, who yesterday terribly mutilated himself with a piece of jagged tin, while awaiting trial for murder of Avis Linnell, his former sweetheart, passed a quiet night in the Charles street jail infirmary.

Medical Examiner Leary visited him at 8 o'clock today and said there is little doubt that he will not be able to go to trial January 15.

Every indication early today pointed to a plea of insanity by Richeson.

William M. Morse and Philip R. Dunbar, who with John L. Lee, of Virginia, are counsel for the defense admitted "there might possibly be a change of defense." Asked pointedly whether they would urge Richeson to plead insanity the answer came:

"We won't say no or yes to that question until this afternoon."

District Attorney Pelletier apparently has no doubt that such will be the case, for before 8:30 he was at his office in consultation with two physicians who are thought to be alienists employed weeks ago by the government to observe the former minister's actions.

The district attorney admitted he has conferred frequently with insanity experts and is prepared to meet an insanity defense with reams of testimony tending to show Richeson was sane when he is alleged to have murdered Avis Linnell, and that he was sane a few days ago.

Richeson's lawyers and detectives employed in his interest by Moses Grant Edmands, father of Miss Violet Edmands, whom he was to have married October 31, were called today by Attorney Morse and three physicians. Mr. Morse today repeated that he has for several weeks thought Richeson not sane.

SNOW STORM WORTH MILLIONS OF DOLLARS

To the Farmers of Colorado, Says a Denver Wire.

Denver, Col., Dec. 21.—Millions of dollars is the value the farmers of Colorado placed today on the snow storm which raged yesterday and last night, burying the state to a depth varying from two inches to several feet. Owing to the light snowfall last winter, the season just passed was one of unprecedented drought. In some portions the storm reached the proportions of a blizzard, entailing much suffering to livestock. The snowfall ceased early today and the weather turned colder.

Snow in Iowa.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 21.—Following three weeks of Indian summer, a snow storm preceded by sleet, has been raging for twenty-four hours and still continues. The snowfall is not heavy, but street car service has been impeded in many cities and all railroad trains are delayed.

Opposed to Carnegie Aid.

Terre Haute, Ind., Dec. 21.—William D. Van Horn, president of the Indiana United Mine Workers, today came out in opposition to seeking aid from Andrew Carnegie for the construction of a new library here, holding that the iron king's wealth was "blood money" obtained "through the slaughter of workingmen and misery of their widows and orphans."

CARDINAL FALCONIO TAKES POSSESSION

Of His Titular Church, Santa Maria in Ara Coeli.

Rome, Dec. 21—Cardinal Falconio with impressive ceremony, this afternoon took formal possession of his titular church, Santa Maria in Ara Coeli.

Santa Maria in Ara Coeli is one of the oldest and most famous of all the edifices of worship in Rome. Its name means in English, Saint Mary of the Altar of the Heavens. It is located on the site of what was in the old days a temple to Jupiter, built by Romulus. It was the stairs leading from this temple that Ceasar descended on his knees after his triumphs in Britain.

The nave of the church is supported by twenty-two huge columns taken from the various temples of ancient Rome. One of the chapels encloses what is declared to be the altar of Ceasar Augustus.

The shrine of the "bambino," one of the most famous in all Europe, is located within the church. It consists of an image of the infant Christ carved out of olive wood from the garden of Gethsemane.

ANDREW J. WHITE IS NOT KIMMEL

According to a Discovery Made by the Kimmel Attorney.

St. Louis, Dec. 21.—Evidence which he claims will prove conclusively that "Andrew J. White," the former convict who claims to be George A. Kimmel, of Niles, Michigan, is not Kimmel has been discovered by Frederick H. Bacon, of this city, attorney for the Kimmel family Bacon, who has just returned from Niles, said today that he had discovered one vital fact entirely overlooked in former investigations, namely, that George A. Kimmel, at the time he applied for insurance, was five feet ten inches in height, while Andrew J. White is only five feet seven and one-half inches tall

Returns to Washington.

Washington, Dec. 21.—After two days in New York, President Taft returned home at 7:15 o'clock today, but did not leave his private car, "Mayflower," for some time after arriving. Today the president may take up the joint resolution of congress abrogating the Russian treaty. Only his signature is lacking to complete the law.

TO A TWO-DAY TERM IN PRISON

Governor Ben W. Hooper Sentences Himself.

THE EXECUTIVE OF TENNESSEE

Would Know the Conditions of Prison Life.

Mixes with Convicts, Listens to Their Complaints and Suggestions, and Hopes Thus To Be Able To Decide for Himself Whether Any of the Prisoners Should Be Granted Pardons on Christmas Day.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 21.—Governor Ben W. Hooper arose at daylight from his bunk in a cell in the state prison, performed his hasty morning ablutions in the little tin pail furnished prisoners and then made his way with a long line of long-termers to the penitentiary dining-room, where under the watchful eyes of guards, he ate a breakfast of prison "chow." Nor was it a special repast; he got what the prisoners got, and no more.

Governor Hooper, Republican chief executive, has sentenced himself to two days in the state penitentiary, that he may study prison conditions and learn, first hand, how the convicts live.

Governor Malcolm R. Patterson, his predecessor, was charged with being too free with pardons, and Hooper, when he ran for office, promised not to grant so many. His followers think he already has issued too many.

During his imprisonment, Governor Hooper has ordered the prison wardens to treat him exactly as any other prisoner, except that he is to be permitted to mingle freely with the convicts, listen to their complaints and suggestions and decide for himself whether any of the prisoners should be granted a Christmas pardon.

One of the chief complaints against Governor Patterson was that he pardoned Duncan B. Cooper, convicted of the murder of the former Senator Carmack.

The Metal Market.

New York, Dec. 21.—Metals closed easy. Spot copper 13.87½@14.12½. Lead 4.10@4.50.

MILLIONAIRES HIT HARO BLOW

By a Decision Rendered by Judge Carpenter.

HE OVERRULES ALL OBJECTIONS

Made by Them to Matters in Indictment.

He Also Turns Down a Plea of the Defense That the Jury Be Instructed To Disregard Certain Statements Included in Opening Statement of Attorney Wilkerson on Fate of Independents.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—A decision which will give the government a postion of advantage in the trial of the ten millionaire packers on charges of criminal combination in restraint of trade, was rendered today by Federal Judge Carpenter.

The court denied motions by the defense for dismissal of two of the five counts of the indictments against them, and refused a plea of the defense that the jury be instructed to disregard certain statements included in District Attorney Wilkerson's opening statements.

It was this last-named decision that was construed as of great advantage to the prosecution.

The statements specifically objected to by the defense were regarding the acquisition of "independent" packing-house firms by the National Packing company. It was alleged that this acquisition took place at a time when the statute of limitations would operate against court proceedings.

Contention Swept Aside.

Judge Carpenter swept this contention aside, ruling in effect that the government was entitled to produce all evidence it desired along this line in its endeavor to show a motive. That motive, the prosecution is contending, was to gain a monopoly of the dressed beef industry.

The grounds on which dismissal of two counts of the indictments were asked were that the acts complained of occurred more than three years ago—beyond the time in which prosecutions could be instituted.

Judge Carpenter held that the question of legality of the indictments had previously been ruled upon in a demurrer, and that such a motion at this time was, in effect, merely an attempt to raise anew the same questions decided in the decree overruling the demurrers.

Exceptions were allowed the defendants on all the rulings.

After a brief recess, Attorney George T. Buckingham began the series of opening statements in behalf of the defense. Buckingham spoke particularly for the Swift and Fowler groups of packing houses.

TIPPING VIOLATES CHICAGO ORDINANCES

Tipping Is Begging and Begging Is a Violation.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—Waiters and hotel employes were exercised today over a decision by Judge Petit that "tipping is begging" and begging is "a violation of the city ordinances."

"Nothing less than a Gatling gun would permit a patron of these places where the 'tipping trust' is in operation, to escape without giving a tip," the judge declared.

The court dismissed a suit for a division of the profits of tips given hat and coat checkers and attendants in a lavatory in a prominent cafe. The defendant in the suit, Jacques Rousso, is the originator of the tipping trust, and has purchased the checking concessions at nearly every hotel and cafe in the city, paying in one instance $10,000 a year for the privilege.

Must Bear Stamp.

New York, Dec. 21.—The court of special sessions today upheld the constitutionality of the Brennan cold storage law, under which all eggs, butter, and meats kept in cold storage must bear a stamp showing when they were entered into the refrigerators. The court did this in sustaining a fine of $400 against the Greenwich Cold Storage company.

Confiscates Ducks.

New Orleans, Dec. 21.—The state game warden of Louisiana confiscated 150 ducks which Joseph Leiter of Chicago, and Washington, tried to ship from here to his sister. Twenty-five is the legal limit on game bags of ducks.

Christmas Gifts.

Chicago, Dec. 21.—Employes of the Crane company will draw down shares in $500,000 profits of the business as their Christmas gift. The company has had the profit-sharing plan in operation for thirteen years.

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TAFT NOTIFIES RUSSIA TODAY

That the Treaty of 1832 Will Be Abrogated.

WILL NOT STAND AFTER THIS YEAR

Takes Matter Out of Hands of Congress.

The Action of President Is Taken Following a Conference with Senators Rayner, Burton and McCumber, Members of the Committee on Foreign Relations—Conference with Knox.

Washington, Dec. 18.—President Taft today formally notified Russia that the treaty of 1832, under which Russia has excluded Jewish American citizens, will be abrogated on December 31, 1912.

In this manner he took the matter out of the hands of congress and forestalled action by the senate on the Sulzer resolution to which Russia filed objection, Saturday, precipitating one of the most exciting situations known in official circles in years.

The action of the president was announced following a conference in the White House library between President Taft and Senators Rayner, Burton and McCumber, members of the senate committee on foreign relations.

It was stated at that time that the president had not decided whether he would send the senate a note to be read in open session or a confidential communication, explaining his action.

Rayner argued in favor of an open discussion in the senate, but the president was not willing to adopt that policy. The question of what the result of ignoring of the house will be was a troublesome problem. The president was convinced that he had full authority to act, but Chairman Sulzer, of the house committee on foreign affairs, was not ready to admit it.

"This treaty I am satisfied will be terminated, and it is a question of procedure now, only, whether it is to be terminated by the president and the senate or by the president and both houses," said Rayner as he left the White House to confer with Secretary of State Knox. The president arranged a conference with Knox to settle the question of procedure.

The letter to the Czar elicited the abrogation was due to a "misunderstanding in the interpretation of the old treaty."

A resolution approving the act of the president was submitted to and approved by the committee. It is entirely different from the Sulzer resolution passed by the house but as a matter of courtesy will probably be made a joint resolution and sent to the house for concurrence.

JOHN FLACH OPENS NEW BUSINESS PLACE

A Meat Market Up to Date in Every Respect.

John Flach opened for business Saturday his fine new meat market on south Main street. The room, which was formerly occupied by Markert's china store, has been remodeled throughout and presents a handsome appearance with neatly frescoed walls and marble counters.

One of the finest refrigerators in the state has been installed and the market is up-to-date in every respect.

OBITUARY.

Findling—Isaiah Jannett Findling was born February 6, 1904, and died November 30, 1911, aged six years, nine months and twenty-four days. She was the daughter of Henry and Gertrude Findling. Her life was short but her stay with us was long enough to endear her to our hearts and bring us joy and gladness every day. She scatered sunshine and brightness wherever she went, and now that she has departed she is missed by all who knew and loved her. Heaven, however, has its recompense and there is balm for wounded hearts in the knowledge that she is happy with Him who knows best and does all things wisely and well. Aside from her parents she left two brothers, two sisters, and a large number of other relatives. After the funeral services the friends and relatives gathered with the members of the bereaved family and witnessed the baptizing of Howard Theodore, Cecil Adell, Ruby Pauline and Henry Burdell, children of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Findling, and La Von Gerald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Findling. Rev. M. C. Wisely, of La Rue, was the officiating minister.

In Supreme Court.

Attorney J. H. Eymon was in Columbus, Friday, where he filed a motion in the supreme court for leave to file a petition in error to carry the case of W. P. Fetter to the supreme court. Fetter was convicted under the nuisance act in the mayor's court, October 24, 1910, on a chargt of keeping a place where intoxicating liquors were sold. The decision of the mayor was affirmed in the common pleas and circuit courts, and the motion to carry it to the supreme court will be argued soon.

PREPARATIONS FOR ANNUAL CORN SHOW

Association Holds a Meeting Friday Evening.

An enthusiastic meeting of the Marion County Corn Improvement association was held in the basement of the Marion County bank, Friday evening, and arrangements were partially completed for the fifth annual corn show, which will be held in the Huber block, in a room directly over the Uhler-Phillips store, Friday and Saturday, *January 12 and 13.*

President Henry W. Johnston and Secretary John L. Berringer, of the Corn Improvement association, reported that many business men and citizens of Marion and surrounding towns had donated a fine lot of specials for premiums in the various classes.

E. N. Uncapher, who will manage the show this winter, says the indications are that it will be the largest and best ever held by the association.

BUTLER'S SUSPENSION IS MADE PERMANENT

Safety Director Knapp Gives His Decision Saturday.

James A. Knapp, director of public safety, rendered his decision in the matter of James Butler, who was recently suspended from service as captain at the central fire station, Saturday afternoon.

The safety director found Butler guilty of neglect of duty and other charges and made his suspension from the department permanent.

The decision was announced in the office of the safety director, in the presence of Butler and his attorneys. A notice of an appeal to the civil service commission was given at once and the case will be carried before the commission as soon as possible.

REUNITED AFTER A TOUR OF THE WORLD

Marriage Service Performed by Rev. J. A. Sutton.

Three years ago, or September 8, 1908, to be exact, Mrs. Charles N. Krenkler obtained a divorce from her husband, a printer, who had enlisted in the United States navy. She was restored to her maiden name. In her petition she alleged desertion.

After serving his enlistment period in the navy, during which time he made the famous world tour with the "Big Sixteen" fleet, Krenkler returned to Marion a short time ago. He hunted up his former wife, Mrs. Opal La Rue, wooed and won her hand in marriage for the second time.

Thursday afternoon, at 5:30 o'clock, the young people were married by Rev. J. A. Sutton at the latter's home at La Rue.

JOINED IN MARRIAGE AT THE PARSONAGE

Miss Baughman and Mr. Jay W. Miller.

Miss Josephine L. Baughman and Mr. Jay W. Miller were united in marriage by Rev. J. W. Miles at the United Brethren church parsonage on south Prospect street, Thursday night at 8 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller will live in this city until spring, when they will move to Richwood, where the groom will take charge of his mother's elevator at that place. He is now Pennsylvania ticket agent in this city.

GEORGE B. KNAPP WILL LOCATE IN BUCYRUS

Hopley Printing Company Elects Him Manager.

Will Resign as President and Treasurer of the Monarch-Republican Company—To Assume New Duties in Bucyrus January 1.

At a meeting of the Hopley Printing company, of Bucyrus, Friday night, George B. Knapp, of this city, president and treasurer of the Monarch-Republican company, was chosen general business manager of the Bucyrus company, which is incorporated with a capital stock of $20,000.

Mr. Knapp said Saturday that he would resign as president and treasurer of the Monarch-Republican company and accept the position tendered him by the owners of the Bucyrus concern. His resignation will take effect January 1, when he will immediately assume his new duties.

Mr. Knapp has been at the head of the Monarch-Republican for the past seven years, and during that time has made a name for the firm that is far from being local. He is a man of splendid executive ability, and his friends predict for him the same success in his new field of endeavor that has crowned his efforts in this city. In connection with the Hopley Printing company, the daily evening Telegraph and the weekly Journal are published.

For the present Mr. Knapp states he will continue to make his home in this city.

Advancement Denied.

Mt. Vernon, O., Dec. 18.—Harry N. Hills, of Cincinnati, indicted Friday in connection with the failure of the Gambier banking company, appeared in common pleas court today. Hills' attorney asked for immediate trial of the case. Hills was not arraigned, however, as Prosecutor Cromley objected to defendants demands saying the week was taken up with other cases. Judge Seward sustained the prosecuter, holding that there should be no advancement of the case.

MRS. PEGGY LEONARD DIES SUNDAY MORNING

Death Comes at the Home of Mrs. Nelson Harden.

Mrs. Peggie Leonard, widow of Michael Leonard who died six years ago, died at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. Nelson Harden, of No. 117 Charles street, Sunday morning at 12:30 o'clock. She had been confined to her bed for the past two months and her death was due to the infirmities of age.

Mrs. Leonard was aged ninety-one years, seven months and eight days, having been born in Kentucky, May 10, 1820. She came to Ohio when about twelve years of age and resided near Essex until about thirty-five years ago when she moved to La Rue. She came to Marion only two months ago. She was the mother of ten children, nine of whom with her husband have preceded her in death. She is survived by one son, Samuel R. Sanders, of Rose Hill, Iowa, the father of Mrs. Harden.

The funeral was held at the church at Essex, Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. J. A. Sutton, of LaRue, officiating. Burial was made in the Price cemetery

TIE-UP OF ALL THE WESTERN ROADS

Is Planned by Five Unions Out on a Strike.

St. Louis, Dec. 18.—At a secret meeting here today the heads of five international unions now on strike on all the Harriman lines, laid their plans for a tie-up of all western railroads before local labor leaders. Support of all unions on all western lines in a gigantic general strike was urged.

President J. W. Cline, of the blacksmiths, who presided at the meeting, would not discuss the progress of the movement, but dictated the following statement:

"We are going to win the present strike if we have to extend the zone so as to include every railroad in the jurisdiction of the General Managers' association of the western and southern railroads. The extension is now under consideration."

BUCYRUS GIRLS KILLED BY TRAIN

They Are Run Down as They Drive onto the Track.

Bucyrus, O., Dec. 18.—Miss Katherine Scott, daughter of John Scott of Bucyrus, and Miss Pearl Schalter of Lexington, each 21 and both school teachers, were killed at a street crossing when they were struck by a fast Pennsylvania train. They did not see the train and drove on the track. Miss Schalter was decapitated. The engineer of the train said the gates were being lowered as the train went over the crossing.

Franz Josef Ill.

Vienna, Dec. 18.—Court circles are alarmed today over the condition of Emperor Franz Josef, who is suffering from a severe cold and throat trouble. He has been unable to leave the palace for a week and is very feeble. The aged ruler is very pessimistic over his condition and it is feared a fatal illness may be brought on by worry.

Performance Causes Smiles

Washington, Dec. 18.—Not hesitating on a word, associate Justice Holmes, of the supreme court, did a Hawaiian monologue today, glibly reeling off mystifying Hawaiian names in giving a decision in a case involving a land title in the islands. His linguistic performance caused smiles and almost applause.

Only Three Bodies Remain.

Briceville, Tenn., Dec. 18.—Only three bodies remain in the Cross Mountain mine and it is believed these will be recovered today. They have been located in the debris. Already eighty-one bodies have been taken out and it is believed that eighty-four lives were lost. Fire is still raging in Cross entry No. 17.

FIND $10,000 IN WOMAN'S BUSTLE

Hodgdon Mills, Me., Dec. 18.—Mrs. Mary Fassett wore a bustle for thirty years. Heirs, having found $7,000 hidden about the furniture, suggested opening the bustle. They found $10,000 in greenbacks.

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GETS TEN YEARS AT HARD LABOR

Rev. Frank W. Sanford Is Sentenced Today

FOR MANSLAUGHTER OF SIX SAILORS

Members of the Crew of the Yacht, Coronet.

Unaccompanied, Rev. Mr. Sanford Walks to Court and Surrenders to Marshal—Asked If He Had Anything To Say, He Again Points Out That God Is With Him and Knows What Is in Him.

Portland, Me., Dec. 18.—Ten years at hard labor was the sentence today meted out to Rev. Frank W. Sandford, head of the Holy Ghost and Us society of Shiloh, Maine, who last week was convicted of manslaughter in connection with the deaths of six members of his crew of the yacht, Coronet.

Sandford was calm during the six minutes it took for Justice Hale to say the fateful words. Unaccompanied, he walked into court and formally surrendered himself to a marshal. Asked if he had anything to say before sentence was pronounced, he murmured:

"God is beside me. He told me today not to talk. He knows what is in me. He pities every one in the world who does not look to Shiloh."

Hurried to Jail.

Sandford was hurried into jail, and will be sent to Atlanta this evening.

When Sandford left Shiloh early today to go to Portland for sentence, a hundred of his followers bade him a reverential good-by.

To them, Sandford repeated some of the startling statements he made in his ten-hour sermon in Shiloh temple yesterday. He declared it was no idle boast when he claimed to "have the world by the hair," and the "pestilence, war, famine and total destruction" will come soon to those who found him guilty.

Sandford's trial was one of the most spectacular in Maine's history. He acted as his own counsel and refused to question witnesses who testified that he fed the crew of his ill-fated missionary yacht a bowl of gruel a day while he ate three hearty meals in his "sacred cabin" during the recent harrowing voyage from the Holy land.

AT THE CROSSROADS.

By William T. Ellis.

The International Sunday-School Lesson for December 24 Is, The Christmas Story. Luke 2:1-20. Alternate Lesson, "Malachi Rebuking and Encouraging Judah." Malachi 3:1; 4:3.

Anybody with even the slightest historical sense is bound to recognize that there have been certain great times, certain great places and certain great men who have stood out as landmarks of history. These are the monuments along the highways of time. The places are such as—and to understand even these few words is to know something of the sweep of the centuries—Carchemish, Ninevah, Babylon, Arbela, Memphis, Rome, Athens, Tours, Waterloo. The times and the men are indicated as the days of Nebuchadnezzar, Cyrus, Alexander, Rameses, Ceasars, Jesus, Augustine, Columbus, Guttenberg, Luther, Washington, Napoleon, Lincoln.

Every person who has considered the tides of time will agree that the most momentous period, the most momentous place, and the most momentous person in the long annals of the human race was the beginning of the Christian era, the little strip of land along the Mediterranean, and the man Christ Jesus. Civilization has enshrined its estimate of these three factors—which are in reality one factor, the Man—in the calendars which it hangs upon its walls.

World's Greatest Celebration.

Commemorating an era, a place and a person is Christmas, the most universal of all the many holidays kept by humanity. Other great days there are in the world. The Mohammadan Bairam, at the close of Ramadan; the Chinese New Year, the various festal days of Hindus and Buddhists. Christmas comes nearest to being absolutely universal. It is kept by some persons in all lands, and it is observed by a greater number of persons. It represents the crossroads of history.

"The hopes and fears of all the years,
Are met in thee tonight."

Trace the tides of history, and it will be seen that here they turned. The little town of Bethlehem, at this season the capital of human hearts everywhere, has a more imperial place in the world's records than either Rome or Babylon. From it flows the genius of modern civilization, the impetus of our culture, the character of our social institutions, the slogans of our age. Let the mind brood upon Christmas, considering what the world of today would be without it, and it looms into a greatness perhaps unsuspected before. Throughout the past year the Sunday-schools of the world have been studying the history of the Jews; Christmas is the culmination of it all.

Visit to Modern Bethlehem.

There are several cures for undue reverence of mere geographical location which may be taken. One is a visit to the modern town of Bethlehem. It is but an hour's drive from Jerusalem, over a fairly good carriage road; and lucky is the visitor who does not have a talkative dragoman by his side. The scenery, in its natural phases, is that which was familiar to the Patriachs, to David, and to David's greater son. The buildings are new, but the hills are the same.

Bethlehem itself has been completely transformed, even as the event of that first Christmas has transformed the world. No longer is it a hillside village, with a crude khan for wayfarers. It has many modern buildings, all monuments to The Babe. The chief industry of its busy little shops is the working in mother of pearl. Men, women and children toil at this dusty trade. The shells are brought from the Red Sea, and are worked into beadstrings, such as every Moslem gentleman carries in lieu of a cane, and into buttons and souvenirs for travelers.

A strong European tinge is noticed in the faces and bearing of these Bethlehem people, for most of them can claim the blood of the Crusaders in their veins. The head-dress of the women seems to have been borrowed from Europe of the middle ages. Their bodices, embroidered in dark stuffs, are distinctive wherever seen. The enterprise of the people is shown by the fact that they are emigrating in such large numbers to America.

The site of the manger is covered by the present Church of the Nativity, an unimposing agglomeration of buildings which testifies to sectarian strife and not to the grandeur of the supreme event here enacted. On every side the visitor finds evidences of controversy. The Greek Catholics the Roman Catholics and the Armenians control the property jointly, and to keep them from flying at one another's throats there is ever a Turkish military guard upon duty at the manger—a Moslem to keep the Christians from warring at the cradle of the Prince of Peace! From the grotto containing the manger itself—probably an authentic site—to the altars of the separate sects, all is tawdry and unimposing. One turns with relief to the fresh air, saying as he emerges, as was said at the empty tomb, "He is not here; He is risen."

Twentieth Century and the Star.

There are many more Christmas places upon earth than Bethlehem at the present time. There are thousands of homes where Christmas is more fittingly kept than upon the site of the inn that was anciently overcrowded. Hundreds of western communities are truer to the Christmas type than is Bethlehem. Having seen the grotto in the Bethlehem church that is marked by a golden star, and the hills where the shepherds slept, and the village upon the Tigris from which the Magi are reputed to have come, and, what is more illuminating, having spent last Christmas eve in a Syrian Khan far liker to the one that sheltered Mary and the Babe than any that may be found in Bethlehem today, I feel that the Christmas spirit is the possession of *no one place*, and that there is today deep need that it should return to the Christmas site, to bring the place of Jesus to this strife-torn spot.

Really, it is far more exhilarating to observe how this western world is keeping Christmas all the year round. Here society is seriously bent upon working out the angel message into actual life. A few days ago I heard John Mitchell, in the course of a debate, read a list of organizations with which he is connected, and all were in the spirit of Christmas.

They stood for world betterment and peace. From the organization for the promotion of child-welfare to the courts of arbitral justice, they all looked toward the great Christ-goal of human brotherhood. Where there is any expression of the love of man to man, there shines the gleam of the Bethlehem star. The eleemosynary institutions of our time, from the juvenile court to the door of hope for discharged prisoners, or from the soup kitchen to the revival meeting, all express the spirit of Christmas. It would be unfortunate if we should concentrate our thought upon Bethlehem to Judea to the exclusion of a realization of how Bethlehem has come into our midst today.

World's Quest of Christmas.

Romatic as is the journey of the wise men to Bethlehem, it is not more so than the present-day quest of mankind for the new reign which Christmas represents. As readers of this column know, I have been upon the trail of the world's unrest to the remotest corners of earth. For more than a year I have studied at close range this marvelous present-day phenomenon. And what is the essence of this uniform agitation and ferment and discontent, except a groping after the realization of those ideals which were first proclaimed at Christmas? Even as the East, embodied by the Magi, sought a new king in the West, so the Orient today is in eager quest of a new reign of those ideals which Jesus incarnated and preached; and which are inadequately expressed by the modern phrase, "Liberty, equality, fraternity, justice."

The world is restless under the dominion of selfishness, oppression, ignorance, poverty and strife. It wants to dwell in peace and in brotherhood, with freedom to cultivate the individual man at his best. It wants to restore his crown to man, so that the poor and the lowly may have the chance which God designed for all.

"For lo, the days are hastening on,
By prophets seen of old,
When with the ever-circling years,
Shall come the time foretold,
When the new heaven and earth shall own
The Prince of Peace their King,
And the whole world shall send back the song
Which now the engels sing."

Christmas Peace for World.

This would be a heedless keeping of Christmas which did not make recognition of the glorious vision, newly come to the peoples of earth, that world peace is a practical political possibility. President Taft has sent an electric thrill about the earth by his proposals for treaties of arbitration between the great nations. Peace has suddenly been lifted up into the realms of practical statesmanship. It is no longer a theory for dreamers but a programme for the chancellories of the great nations. It has the right of way in the world's thinking; and the present generation will probably see the angel's message more nearly realized in the affairs of nations than our fathers thought possible for centuries to come.

This is a good time to remind ourselves that whoever works for peace is doing the work of Christ. This programme which now the statesmen discuss should be peculiarly the province of the Christian church. That she has lagged so long is her reproach. Now it is high time to get into the company of the Christmas heralds, and proclaim peace for all the earth.

A Vision of Christmas Trees.

The memories of Christmas trees throng the musing mind at this season. There are the great forests of evergreens yet uncut; the trainloads of trees in city freight-yards, weeks before Christmas; the tinselled, decorated trees of many happy homes; the twig of evergreen which the German exiles who toil amid the ruins of old Assyria, along the Tigris river, preserve from year to year—varied are the memories of Christmas trees one has seen.

Be it remembered, however, that the real Christmas tree, the one truest to type, is the tree that was planned thirty-three years after the birth at Bethlehem, upon a hill called Golgotha. Calvary's tree represents the working out to an ultimate conclusion of the Christmas ideal. There it stands the eternal emblem of sacrifice. It is God's sign of giving, the self-surrendering spirit of Christmas.

"Oh, don't you think that giving,
Is just the best of living?"

carols the child about the house at Christmastide.

In the Calvary spirit, of self-crucifixion for the sake of others, Christmas is kept indeed. All around us are sin and shame and lovelessness; when we give ourselves to the redemption of these, making life sweeter and happier for even the least of all the persons whom we may touch, and not shrinking from from the worst, we are keeping Christmas in Christ's way.

WALTER LEEPER IS LOCATED IN TOLEDO

Held There Till Officer Arrives from Marion.

YOUNG LEEPER RUNS AWAY DECEMBER 8

Being Apprehended by the Probation Officer, He Tells His Story, Admitting That He Had Run Away from His Mother's Home in This City—Police Court News.

Chief Klinefelter received a letter, Friday evening, from J. J. Gorham, chief probation officer of the juvenile court, in Toledo, stating that a boy, who gave his name as Walter Leeper, and claiming Marion as his home, was taken into custody there and would be held until the local chief could be heard from.

Leeper, who is only thirteen years of age, ran away from home on December 8, and the local officers were requested to make inquiries for him. He resided with his mother and two brothers on Fairview avenue. The boy imparted all this information to the Toledo officer when he was taken in charge. The mother of the boy informed Chief Klinefelter Saturday that she wanted the boy returned, but did not have the money to go after him. The chief so notified the probation officer in Toledo, and the boy was sent to Marion Saturday.

James Quigley, who was arrested Thursday morning on a charge of intoxication, was fined five dollars and costs by Mayor Seiter, Friday morning. Quigley was unable to pay the fine and costs and was ordered committed to the Dayton workhouse until the amount is worked out. He was taken to the workhouse by Chief Klinefelter, Friday afternoon, and seemed pleased at the thought of having a place to spend part of the winter.

Law Is Sustained.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Validity of an Indiana law requiring railroads to maintain adequate crews on trains and fixing the number of train men on trains of certain length was sustained today by the United States supreme court.

CENTRAL BANK PLAN OPPOSED

By Secretary of the Treasury Mac Veagh,

IN ANNUAL REPORT PUBLISHED TODAY

Central Agency of the Banks Is Needed.

It Was Natural, at First, He Says, To Think of a Central Bank, but It Was Early Discovered That a Central Bank Could Have No Place in the Monetary System of the United States.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Declaring himself positively opposed to a central bank, Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh, in his annual report to congress, today made a strong plea for the immediate passage of a currency measure based upon the investigations of the Aldrich monetary commission.

Panics, a rigid currency, periodical money stringencies, unequal interest rates, and all the disabilities under which the banking system of the country labors, arise from lack of a cooperative protective system composed of the organized banks of the country, MacVeagh asserted.

"Organization means the establishment of a Central institution representatives of the banks," MacVeagh said. "But this institution should not be a central bank. It must be purely a central agency of the banks. It was natural at first to think of a central bank; but it was early discovered that a central bank could have no place in our system.

"The idea of a national reserve association has therefore grown up just as the idea of a clearing-house grew up, and it follows the clearing-house as a sequence on a far larger and more important scale."

It is indispensable, according to MacVeagh, that the new law shall deny with great precision the right of any bank to own stock in any other bank, to prevent concentration of the money power, such concentrations, the report stated, being inevitable under our present bank system.

Speaking of the causes which gave impulse to the appointment of the monetary commission, MacVeagh referred to "the gratuitous panic of 1907."

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HOCKING VALLEY.

North—*7:35 a. m.; 10:05 a. m.; 4:37 p. m. †5:10 p. m.; 11:17 p. m.
South—8:55 a. m.; 7:20 a. m.; 10:20 a. m. *1:18 p. m.; 7:20 p. m.
*Daily except Sunday.
†Runs to Marion only. A half hour later on Sunday.

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Southwest—10:27 a. m.; 3:18 p. m.; 10:[illegible] a. m.
East—5:28 a. m.; 12:52 p. m.; 11:56 p. m.; 5:57 p. m.

CHICAGO & ERIE.

West—10:25 a. m.; 12:05 a. m.; *6:45 p. m.; *5:10 p. m.
East—5:38 a. m.; *9:55 a. m.; *5:10 p. m.; 5:57 p. m.
*Daily except Sunday.
†Runs to Marion only.
‡Runs to Ohio City only.

BIG FOUR.

Eastbound—8:00 a. m., local, 8:20 a. m., 12:02 p. m.; 7:33 p. m.; 10:15 p. m.; 4:[illegible] p. m.
Westbound—5:42 a. m.; 9:55 a. m.; 1:[illegible] p. m.; 7:13 p. m.; *2:10 p. m.
*Daily, except Sunday.

PENNSYLVANIA.

North—8:52 p. m.; *12:20 p. m.
South—10:20 a. m.; *8:00 p. m.
*Daily except Sunday.

C., D. & M. ELECTRIC.

Depart Southbound—6 a. m.; 7 a. m.; 8 a. m.; 9 a. m.; 11 a. m.; 12 m.; 1 p. m.; 3 p. m.; 4 p. m.; 6 p. m.; 8 p. m.; 10 p. m.; 9 p. m.; *11 p. m.
Arrive Northbound—*5:55 a. m.; *6:[illegible] a. m.; 7:35 a. m.; 8:55 a. m.; 9:[illegible] a. m.; 10:[illegible] a. m.; 12:05 p. m.; 1:[illegible] p. m.; 2:05 p. m.; 4:[illegible] p. m.; 5:[illegible] p. m.; 6:[illegible] p. m.; 8:[illegible] p. m.; 9:[illegible] p. m.; 11:[illegible] p. m.
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Northbound—Cars leave Marion for Bucyrus at 8, 8, 10 a. m.; 12:05 p. m.; 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10 p. m.
Southbound—Cars leave Bucyrus for Marion at 7:05, 9:05 and 11:05 a. m. and 1:05, 3:05, 5:05, 7:10, 9:05 and 11:05 p. m.

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HALT IN PROBE IN INDIANAPOLIS

While Grand Jury Wrestles with Counterfeiters.

STAGE READY FOR M'MANIGAL'S COMING

The Ground Prepared for His Testimony.

All the Witnesses Thus Far Have Told About the Explosions in Various Parts of the Country and Where Explosives Have Been Secured—It Will Be for McManigal To Give the Connecting Links.

Indianapolis, Dec. 19.—While deputies armed with subpoenas searched for a number of material witnesses today, the federal probe into the alleged dynamite conspiracy was temporarily halted while the grand jury considered a number of minor counterfeiting cases.

With the announcement form Los Angeles that Ortie McManigal, who will be District Attorney Miller's star witness, will soon be actually on his way here, the necessity of haste has passed and the probers will now slack up until after the holiday recess, which will be ordered next Friday.

Every witness so far examined has been untilized to prepare the ground for McManigal's story. The records and statistics of the Iron Workers and the statements of Miss Mary Dye regarding letters exchanged between John J. McNamara and the business agents of the Iron Worker's organization in the various localities where McManigal alleges he caused explosions, have all been placed before the jury by the prosecutor so that when McManigal comes he can clinch the evidence.

Witnesses are enroute here to tell the jury about the various explosions J. J. McNamara and his associates in the executive board of the Bridge Workers are alleged to have caused. Most of these will be examined within the next three days as secretly as possible and their stories likewise will be the prelude to the McManigal stellar appearance.

Four Days on Stand.

The latter will be on the stand four days at least when the jury reconvenes immediately after the holidays and it is expected when he concludes and a few corroborative witnesses are called, indictments will immediately be ordered.

One thing troubling the federal authorities is whether they will be able to shunt most of the prosecutions off to state and county courts. This they wiuld like to do because the punishment for any offense that might be proven in the federal jurisdiction is much less than that provided by the state code in the various localities.

As soon therefore as indictments are found here, Miller will communicate with the local authorities wherever an explosion took place and offer the evidence here for use there in another prosecution. Where the offer is accepted the local indictments will be held up.

However, it is not believed this offer will be generally accepted.

PRICES OF EGGS TAKE A TUMBLE

Cleveland's Thirty-Cent Club Proves Combination Works.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 19.—Statistics gathered at the headquarters of the 30-cent egg club show a break in the high price of eggs. Frank S. Krause, president, announced that he had also discovered a break in the combination which he thinks existed among the retailers.

Krause called on nine big Cleveland concerns and two out-of-town dealers and found that the price for fresh eggs varied from 59 to 40 cents. The price of first storage eggs varied from 50 to 29 cents. Within the city the lowest price for alleged fresh eggs was 48 cents.

"That looks rather good to me," said he. "It proves that the retailers are beginning to come to terms. It shows also that they are no longer sticking together but are putting their own prices on their stock to get rid of it."

M'COY MARRIED EIGHT TIMES

Three of His Offenses Are with the Same Woman.

New York, Dec. 19.—Sporting men were taken by surprise today by the announcement that Kid McCoy—Norman Selby—has "done it again." This consisted, in their parlance, in getting "spliced." The eighth—count 'em, eight—bride is Mrs Valentine Hein, according to cable messages from Nice, France. Mrs. Selby is the daughter of the famous Honduran mine king, W. S. Valentine. Her husband recently secured a divorce from her here, naming Kid McCoy as corespondent. Kid McCoy's wives were Mrs. Edward Ceilis—Lillian Earle; Indiana Arnold; Mrs. Julia Casselman—three times married to him, and three times divorced from him; Lottie Pichler, Charlotte Smith.

Whiting mixed to a cream with cold water is excellent for dirty, painted surfaces.

THE GRAND OLD MAN OF AMERICA

John Bigelow, Noted American Author,

DIES AT HIS HOME IN NEW YORK CITY

He Had Passed Ninety-Fourth Year.

Writes Two Books After He Is Ninety—Fond Hope Is To Live To Be a Hundred—Contemporary of Daniel Webster, Partner of William Cullen Bryant and Friend of Samuel J. Tilden.

New York, Dec. 19.—John Bigelow, the celebrated American author, journalist and diplomat, died today at his home in Gramercy park. He was born in Malden, New York, November 25, 1817. Death was caused by bladder trouble.

John Bigelow "The Grand Old Man of America," publicist and former ambassador to France, had been ill for some months. He had just passed his ninety-fourth birthday on November 25, during the celebration of which he received cabled congratulations from all over the world and scores of the most noted men in America called on him.

Until recently Bigelow was in splendid health, having returned from Europe in May to be present at the dedication of the New York public library. President Taft, meeting him at that time, calling him "The Grandest Old Man of the Age."

Bigelow was a contemporary of Daniel Webster, a partner of William Cullen Bryant, and a friend of Samuel J. Tilden. Fifty years ago, when the civil war was on, he was at the height of his career. He was a warm friend of Lincoln and during part of the war was consul to Paris. Afterwards he became ambassador to France.

His Fond Hope.

It was one of Bigelow's fondest hopes that he might live to be a hundred years old. He went, as a youth, to Union college, from which he graduated in 1837. He studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1839, his friends have recently declared he was the oldest lawyer in New York state. He became an inspector at Sing Sing prison, but after a few years, having a bent for writing, he became associated with Bryant in the ownership of the Evening Post. He sold his interests in that paper when he went to France

After his return to America he engaged for a time in politics, after which he lived for several years in Germany, keeping up his studies and writings. He returned to America to become executor of the estate of Samuel J. Tilden, his warmest personal friend.

Among Bigelow's books have been "The Mystery of Sleep," which contains much of his philosophy; "The Useful Life, a Crown to the Simple Life," "What Shall We Do for Our Ex-Presidents, and What Shall They Do for Us," and a number of others. The last two mentioned were written after he was ninety years old. He wrote a number of biographies and historical works that have become classics.

FAREWELL TO THE THREE CARDINALS

Is Said by Pope Pius Preliminary to Their Return.

Rome, Dec. 19.—Farewell audiences were today given by Pope Pius to the three new American cardinals. All of the prelates were again assured of the Vatican's friendship for the United States and were told that the holy father expected to see Catholicism flourish in the new world as it had never done before.

The rage for brilliant Oriental coloring is expressed in the new evening dresses.

RAILROAD DEALS HIS SPECIALTY

NEWMAN ERB

Newman Erb, who has just completed the financing of the Minneapolis and St. Louis and Iowa Central Railroad merger and is understood to have another deal on for the purchase of the Pere Marquette, is known among railroad financiers as a "quick trader." Railroad deals are his specialty, and there are few men in Wall street who excel him in the number of "turnovers" he has made in the last twenty years.

WEALTHY NEW YORK RESIDENTS WOULD PAY $400,000 FOR SMALL STRIP OF LAND TO STOP MERRY-GO-ROUND

THE MERRY-GO-ROUND AND FERRIS WHEEL.

The remarkably high price of $400,000 has been offered by wealthy residents and land owners in the upper part of New York city to rid their neighborhood of a Ferris wheel and merry-go-round. It was only after all their other schemes to have the merry-go-round and Ferris wheel taken away had failed that it was decided to pay the princely sum asked for the land, that in ordinary conditions would not bring half that price. The plot in question is part of the Van Cortlandt estate, which has vigorously objected to every move of the wealthy neighbors to have the merry-go-round cease to grind out alleged music as it whirled around from morning until night.

BRITAIN GRABS A NAVAL BASE

While Turkey and Italy Are Engaged Over Tripoli.

London, Dec. 19.—Troops were sent today to occupy Sollum, an important naval base on the coast of Cyrenaica, which Great Britain has grabbed while Turkey and Italy engaged in warfare in Tripoli. The port has long been claimed by England, but Turkey has always resisted occupation.

The government announces that it intends to hold Sollum only until the end of the war, but there are few who believe England has any intention of ever letting it slip out of her hands once she has occupied it.

Messages from Rome harshly criticize Great Britain for her action.

Italy believes that Turkey will formally cede the port to England.

VIOLET HOLMES IN CLEVELAND HOSPITAL

Takes Poison but Will Probably Recover.

Violet Holmes, twenty-five years old, whose occupation is unknown and whose home is supposed to be in Marion, made an unsuccessful attempt at suicide by taking poison in Cleveland, Monday. She was taken to the Charity hospital, where it was said that she would recover.

Diligent inquiry, Monday and Tuesday, did not throw any light on the girl's idenity here. It is believed that if she is from Marion the name of Violet Holmes is fictitious or her mother has married again.

Ohio Postmasters.

Washington, Dec 19.—The president today nominated to be Ohio postmasters: Charles H. Bryson, Athens; Alexander C. Branum, Bridgeport; Charles R. Austin, Byesville; Charles W. Dean, Mingo Junction; Robert C. Stewart, Toronto; Charles W. Laws, Bethesda, and John F. Orr, Xenia.

Dr. Mayo Is Better.

New York, Dec. 19.—It was said at the Presbyterian hospital today that Dr. Charles Horace Mayo, noted Rochester Minnesota, surgeon, operated on here for appendicitis, had passed a very good night and that his condition today is favorable.

To Explore Island.

New York, Dec. 19.—George Borup, member of the last Peary expedition to the North pole, with Professor Donald McMillan, is preparing to explore Crokerland, the great island on the shore of which Peary traveled.

Mysterious Case.

New York. Dec. 19.—Solomon Jacknowitz, eight, is dying. The case is a mystery. The child was stricken deaf, dumb and blind, while in school. He declared to his mother that his teacher had struck him.

Route Out Sleepers.

Chicago, Dec. 19.—Twenty members of the "flying squadron" of the Third Presbyterian, are thoroughly unpopular here because they routed out of bed about 200 of the congregation in time for church yesterday.

To Be Torn Down.

Paris, Dec. 19.—Durand's world-famous restaurant will be torn down tomorrow, the recent floods having inundated the foundations.

EGGS RETAIL AT FIVE CENTS EACH

New York, Dec. 19.—Eggs are selling wholesale at forty-four to forty-six cents a dozen and butter at thirty-eight cents here. Retail prices are from five to twelve cents higher, according to whether you buy on Fifth avenue or the Bowery. These are the highest prices in ten years, and from eight to ten cents more than at this time last year.

COURTHOUSE DYNAMITED

Upper Portion of Building Is Destroyed.

EXPLOSION FOLLOWS COUNTY SEAT WAR

Bitter Feeling Is Engendered Over Change.

It Starts When the Records Are Removed from Dayton to Yerington, Nevada—Contractors Object When the Work Is Let to a Reno Firm. The Loss Will Reach $50,000 and the Building Must Be Rebuilt.

Reno, Nev., Dec. 19. — At Yerington, Lyon county, the new courthouse, which was about ready for occupation, was almost completely destroyed by dynamiters. There were two mighty detonations, that followed each other at about a minute interval. The second story of the building was completely wrecked and torn asunder from the other floor which was badly damaged. All of the electric and plumbing fixtures were utterly ruined. The loss to the contractors will be about $50,000, and late reports state that the whole building will have to be razed.

There was a fight when the county seat was removeed from Dayton and proceedings were instituted to stop the removal of the county capital by injunction, leaving a rancor and ill feeling among the factions. When the bids were let the contractors of the county were loud in their denunciation of the county commissioners in awarding the contract to a Reno firm, and many in Yerington are saying that the war is between the contractors.

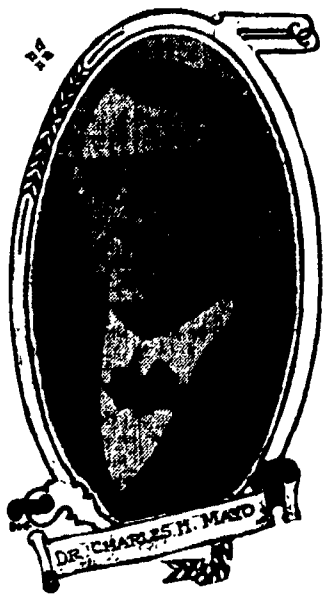
400-Mile Flight.

Wu Chang, Dec. 19.—A rebel aeroplane, manned by two French experts and a Chinaman, landed, below here, having flown 400 miles from Shanghai.

Postmaster Is Named.

Washington, Dec. 19.—The president Monday nominated Coleman C. Wallace to be postmaster at Richmond, Kentucky.

FAMOUS PHYSICIAN UNDER THE KNIFE



Dr. Charles Horace Mayo, the famous surgeon of Rochester, Minn., has just gone under an operation in New York for appendicitis. According to a statement issued by the physicians the operation was successful and Dr. Mayo's condition is satisfactory. Dr. Mayo, with his brother Charles, has attained worldwide fame in surgery.

PEARL NECKLACES ARE ALL THE GO

Quite a Number of Them Bought for Christmas.

New York, Dec. 19.—Pearl necklaces are "all the go" this Christmas season in the multi-millionaire set. The bride of Colonel John Jacob Astor is the latest to receive one of Santa's choicest gifts. It cost $200,000. Yesterday announcement was made that Frank Gould would present his wife with a necklace of pearls that was "worth somewhere near $500,000," and Judge E. H. Gary started the fad by announcing that he had completed a necklace of the gems for Mrs. Gary that had taken him years to gather. That set is valued at not less than half a million.

BIRTHS.

A daughter was born, Friday night, to Mr. and Mrs. Faldatore Farruggio, residing on west Columbia street.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Aubert Smith, residing at the corner of Sugar and Mound streets, Friday evening.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer J. Schoenlaub, of Franklin street, Sunday morning.

A son was born, Sunday night, to Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Miller, of Park street.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Surnac at their home, five miles west of the city, last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. O'Keeffe, of north State street, are the parents of a son, born Monday night, at the home of its grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Sells.

OBITUARY.

Allen—The funeral service over the remains of the late Samuel C. Allen who was killed at LaRue at 11:57 a. m., December 14, while attempting to cross the railroad tracks on the west side of High street was held at the family home, three miles southwest of LaRue. Mr. Allen, a prosperous farmer and highly-respected citizen of Bowling Green township, was born in Marion county, and was a son of E. N. and Tabitha Ann Kelly Allen. He was eight years old when his mother died in Kentucky and from that time until 1861 he lived with his grandmother, Mrs. Martha Bond, who had married Thomas Bond as her second husband. She was quite wealthy and a slave owner. On September 18, 1862 Mr. Allen was married to Cynthia Rizor, who was born in September 1845 and was a daughter of Elijah Rizor, Two children were born of this union, Alice, born September 22, 1863 and James N. Allen. Mrs. Allen died November 14, 1874. Mr. Allen was united in marriage November 23, 1875 with Nancy B. Schertzer who survives. She is a daughter of Solomon and Lucinda Thornton Schertzer of Union county. One child was born of this second union, Charles Hugh, who married Mamie E. Jones.

Rev. J. A. Sutton officiated at the funeral.

Nabbed by Policeman.

New York, Dec 19.—Bojow Mikolaj, after five years' saving, had $200. He thought of burglars so much he couldn't sleep, so he tried to throw the money away in a crowd, and a policeman nabbed him.

The waist line is outlined by flowers on many lingerie dresses for young girls. These are either made of bias bands or silk or bought in bunches, separated and attached to the band.

The skin of the grape fruit, after removing the bitter white part, can be crystallized and cooked in the same manner as orange and lemon rinds are prepared. It makes a delicious sweetmeat.

A variation of mashed potatoes is made by boiling turnips with the potatoes and mashing both together. The turnips should be put on first, as they take longer to cook.

WOOD OPPOSES HAY ARMY BILL

Appears Before House Military Committee.

HE POINTS OUT ITS WEAKNESSES

It Would Swallow Up General Staff.

Would Also Do Away with the Bureau of Coast Artillery, the Bureau of Military Affairs and Other Divisions and Concentrate Authority in a Small Set of Men for an Indefinite Period.

Washington, Dec. 19.—Widening his breach with Adjutant General Fred C. Ainsworth, Major General Leonard Wood today began his testimony before the house committee on military affairs in opposition to the bill of Chairman Hay for reorganization of the army.

"The Hay bill provides for swallowing up of the general staff, the bureau of coast artillery, the bureau of militia affairs and other divisions in one large mouthful," said Wood. "Although it provides for retirement of the adjutant general with the rank of lieutenant general, it does not prohibit the present adjutant general from serving as a retired officer," added Wood significantly. "Concentration of authority by a small set of officers to serve indefinitely changes the fundamental principle of the army corps. The best plan is to have experienced officers of the line serve as bureau chiefs four years."

Bitterly Opposes Plan.

General Wood is also bitterly opposed to the plan of the Hay bill to lengthen the enlistment period from three to five years. In this connection, he says:

"This plan would deter many desirable men from enlisting. Shorter enlistments mean that more men will go through military training and retire to civil life to be available in time of need."

Representative Hay conferred chiefly with the adjutant general for suggestions for his bill, it was said.

General Wood told the committee that during the present session the secretary of war would ask congress for authority to abandon all small military posts. He said that the number would be reduced one half. Wood said the aid of congress was necessary because of the pressure of local business men in each community opposing the abandonment of each post. He referred especially only to Texas and said that the troops in that state should be stationed at San Antonio and El Paso.

THE LODGES.

Officers were elected at a regular meeting of the Home guards of America, Monday evening. There was a large attendance and during the evening arrangements were made for a social to be held New Year's night. At that time also the officers will be installed. The following are the officers elected:

G. O. Bensley, past councillor; A. Noble, councillor; R. M. Rice, vice councillor; Mrs. Florence Jones, chaplain; J. A. Rice, recording secretary; B. A. Bastian, financial secretary; Guy Jones, treasurer; Guy Wilmot, guide; Miss Anna Mitchell, conductress; Mrs. Myrtle Bastian, outside shield; Mrs. Verna Wilmot, pianist; Guy Jones, B. A. Bastian and J. A. Rice, trustees.

Will Recover Sight.

New York, Dec. 19. — Totally blind, John Galick, seven, of Sampson, Pennsylvania, will recover his sight because New York surgeons split his skull and removed a tumor that paralyzed the nerves of the eye

She Is Mistaken.

Macon, Ga., Dec. 19.—After attending a "Holy Roller" meeting, Mrs. Eliza Thorpe thought she could walk on the water, and was drowned.

ACTRESS SUES FOR DIVORCE

MISS GERTRUDE VANDERBILT

Mrs. Gertrude Vanderbilt Dailey, known on the stage as Gertrude Vanderbilt, brought suit in New York for a divorce from Robert L. Dailey, an actor. Mrs. Dailey cites a woman whose name she does not know and mentions any time between June 1 and September 1, 1911, as when her husband misconducted himself.

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from this store's better stocks. You can't find such entertaining, well made toys elsewhere—nor such big stocks. Hurry, the crowds are daily increasing.

Note these prices:

Lot 25c Infant Toys, each 19c.

Lot 50c Infant Toys, each 35c.

Lot $1.00 Infant Toys, each 69c.

Lot 25c Games, many kinds, each 10c.

Child's Money Banks with combination locks, each 10c, 25c, 50c and $1.00.

Figure Banks, each 5c and 10c.

Horns in many different styles, Slide Trombones, Harps, etc., music for the little tots at, each 1c, 3c, 5c, 10c to 50c.

Post Card Albums, each 5c, 10c, 15c, 25c to $1.00.

Toy Cradles, nicely painted, each 10c to 35c.

Doll Beds, all made up in brass and hammock styles, each 25c, 39c, 50c to $1.20.

Big values in 5c and 10c Toys, many kinds.

Rubber Balls, each 5c, 10c and 25c.

Checkers and Board, each 5c and 10c.

Metal Soldier Sets, per set 25c.

Folding Doll Go-Carts, each 25c, 50c, $1.00, $1.50, $1.75, $1.89, $2.00 and $2.25.

$8.00 English Perambulator for $5.50.

$4.00 Reed Go-Cart for $1.00.

Regular $1.25 Folding Go-Cart 98c.

Dolls, Dolls, Dolls. Every kind and style and the prices are much below regular. Don't buy Dolls until you see the only big selection in Marion.

We guarantee to save you money on all Xmas goods.

Handkerchiefs 3c to 50c.

Silk Auto Scarfs 25c to $1.20.

Way's Mufflers 25c and 50c.

Battenberg Pieces, each 25c to $1.00.

Gloves and Mittens, per pair 5c to $1.00.

Pillow Tops and Stand Covers, handsome patterns, at, each 25c and 50c.

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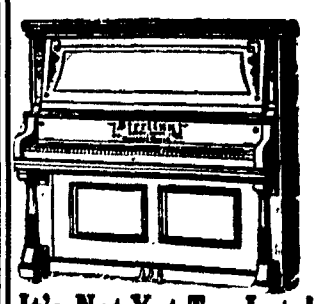

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BAKER.

THE OLYMPIC IS HELD RESPONSIBLE

For the Damage Done to the Protected Cruiser, Hawke.

London, Dec. 19.—The admiralty court today decided that the White Star liner, Olmypic, the biggest ship afloat, was responsible for the collision with the protected cruiser, Hawke, off the Isle of Wight, September 20. No damages were assessed against the White Star company because of the law which provided for compulsory pilotage.

The decision caused considerable surprise because a number of passengers on the Olympic had testified that the Hawke was clearly responsible.

Subdued by Mice.

New York, Dec. 19.—Jewel, said to be one of the fiercest "man killing" elephants in captivity, always kept chained in Central park, is thoroughly subdued since two mice got into her cage. The pachyderm is scared of them.

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TAFT'S MESSAGE ON SCHEDULE K

President Reviews History of Tariff Board.

EXPLAINS WHY HE VETOES WOOL BILL

Believes Such Report as Present Necessary.

On the Basis of the Findings of the Tariff Board, Mr. Taft Recommends That Congress Proceed to a Consideration of the Schedule with a View to Its Revision and General Reduction of Rates.

Washington, Dec. 20.—In his message transmitting the report of the tariff board, President Taft said in part:

"I now herewith submit a report of the tariff board on schedule K. The board is unanimous in its findings. On the basis of these findings I now recommend that the congress proceed to a consideration of this schedule with a view to its revision and a general reduction of its rates.

"The report shows that the present method of assessing the duty on raw wool—this is, by specific rate on the grease pound i. e. unscored—operates to exclude wools of high shrinkage in securing but fine quality from the American market and thereby lessens the range of wools available to the domestic manufacturer; that the duty on scoured wool of thirty-three cents per pound is prohibitory and operates to exclude the importation of clean, low-priced foreign wools of inferior grades, which are nevertheless valuable material for manufactuing and which can not be imported in the grease because of their heavy shrinkage. Such wools, if imported, must be used to displace the cheap substitutes now in use.

To Make It Plainer.

"To make the preceding paragraph a little plainer, take the instance of a hundred pounds of first-class wool imported under the present duty, which is eleven cents a pound. That would make the duty on the hundred pounds $11. The merchantable part of the wool thus imported is the weight of the wool of this hundred pounds after scouring. If the wool shrinks eighty per cent. as some wools do, then the duty in such a case would amount to $11 on twenty pounds of scoured wool. This, of course, would be prohibitory. If the wool shrinks only sixty per cent., it would be $11 on forty pounds of wool, and this is near to the average of the great bulk of wools that are imported wool.

"These discriminations could be overcome by assessing a duty in ad valorem terms, but this method is open to the objection, first, that it increases administrative difficulties and tends to increase revenue through under-valuation; and, second, that as prices advance the ad valorem rate increases the duty per pound at the time when the consumer most needs relief and the producer can best stand competition; while if prices decline the duty is decreased at the time when the consumer is least burdened by the price and the producer most needs protection.

Another Method.

"Another method of meeting the difficulty of taxing the grease pound is to assess a specific duty on grease wool in terms of its scoured content. This obviates the chief evil of the present system, namely, the discrimination due to different shrinkages and thereby tends greatly to equalize the duty. The board reports that this method is feasible in practice and could be administered without great expense. The scoured content of the wool is the basis on which users of wool make their calculation, and a duty of this kind would fit the usages of the trade. One effect of this method of assessment would be that regardless of the rate duty, there would be an increased supply and variety of wool by making available the American market wools of both low and fine quality now excluded.

"The report shows in detail the difficulties involved in attempting to state in categorical terms the cost of wool production and the great differences in cost as between different regions and different types of wool. It is found, however, that taking all varieties in account, the average cost of production for the whole American clip is higher than the cost in the chief competing country by an amount somewhat less than the present duty.

Duties Are Prohibitory.

"The report shows that the duties on noils, wool wastes, and shoddy, which are adjusted to the rate of thirty-three cents on scoured wool, are prohibitory in the same measure that the duty on scoured wool is prohibitory. In general, they are assessed at rates as high as, or higher than, the duties paid on the clean content of wools actually imported. They should be reduced and so adjusted to the rate on wool as to bear their proper proportion to the real rate levied on the actual wool imports.

"The duties on many classes of wool manufacture are prohibitory and greatly in excess of the difference in cost of production here and abroad.

"This is true of tops, in yarns—with the exception of worsted yarns of a very high grade—and of low and medium grade cloth of heavy weight.

"On tops up to fifty-two cents a pound in value and on yarns of sixty-five cents in value, the rate is 100 per cent., with correspondingly higher rates for lower values. On cheap and medium-grade cloth, the existing rates frequently run to 150 per cent., and on some cheap goods to over 200 per cent. This is largely due to that part of the duty which is levied ostensibly to compensate the manufacturer for the enhanced cost of his raw material due to the duty on wool. As a matter of fact, this compensatory duty, for numerous classes of goods, is much in excess of the amount needed for strictly compensation.

Goods Are Not Imported.

"On the other hand, the findings show that the duties which run to such high ad valorem equivalents are prohibitory, since the goods are not imported, but that the prices of domestic fabrics are not raised by the full amount of duty. On a set of one yard samples of sixteen English fabrics, which are completely excluded by the present tariff rates, it was found that the total foreign value was $41.84; the duties which would have been assessed had these fabrics been imported $76.90; the foreign value plus the amount of the duty $118.74, or a nominal duty of 183 per cent. In fact, however, practically identical fabrics of domestic make sold at the same time at $69.75, showing an enhanced price over the foreign market value of but sixty-seven per cent.

"Although these duties do not increase prices of domestic goods to anything like their full amount, it is none the less true that such prohibitive duties eliminate the possibility of foreign competition, even in time of scarcity; that they form a temptation to monopoly and conspiracies to control domestic prices; that they are much in excess of the difference in cost of production here and abroad, and that they should be reduced to a point which accords with this principle.

Finding of Board.

"The findings of the board show that in this industry the actual manufacturing cost aside to question of price of materials, is much higher in this country than it is abroad; that in the making of yarn and cloth the domestic woolen or worsted manufacturer has in general no advantage in the form of superior machinery or more efficient labor to offset the higher wages paid in this country.

"The findings show that the cost of turning wool into yarn in this country, and that the cost of turning yarn into cloth is somewhat more than double. Under the protective policy a great industry involving the welfare of hundreds of thousands of people has been established despite these handicaps.

"In recommending revision and reduction, I therefore urge that action be taken with these facts in mind to the end that an important and established industry may not be jeopardized.

No Equitable Method.

"The tariff reports that no equitable method has been found to levy purely specific duties on woolen and worsted fabrics and that excepting for a compensatory duty, the rate must be ad valorem on such manufactures. It is important to realize, however, that no flat ad valorem rate on such fabrics can be made to work fairly and effectively. Any single rate which is high enough to equalize the difference in manufacturing cost at home and abroad on highly-finished goods involving such labor would be prohibitory on cheaper goods, in which the labor cost is a smaller proportion of the total value. Conversely, a rate only adequate to equalize this difference on cheaper goods would remove protection from the fine goods manufacturer, the increase in which has been one of the striking features of the trades development in recent years. I therefore recommend that in any revision the importance of a graduated scale of ad valorem duties on cloths be carefully considered and applied.

"I venture to say that no legislative body has ever had presented to it in a more complete and exhaustive report than this on so difficult and complicated a subject as the relative costs of wool and woolens the world over. It is a monument to the thoroughness, industry, impartiality and accuracy of the men engaged in its making. They were chosen from both political parties, but have allowed no partism spirit to prompt or control their inquiries.

Wants Board Made Permanent.

"They are unanimous in their findings. I feel sure that after the report has been printed and studied the value of such a compendium of exact knowledge in respect to this schedule of the tariff will convince all of the wisdom of making such a board permanent in order that it may treat each schedule of the tariff as it has treated this and then keep its bureau of information up to date with current changes in the economic world.

"It is no part of the function of the tariff board to propose rates of duty. Their function is merely to present findings of fact on which rates of duty may be fairly determined in the light of adequate kowledge in accord with the economic policy to be followed. This is what the present report does.

"The findings of fact by the board show ample reason for the revision downward of schedule K, in accord with the protective principle, and present the data, as to relative costs and prices from which may be determined what rates will fairly equalize the difference in production costs. I recommend that such revision be proceeded with at once."

"William H. Taft."

In opening his mesage, the president reviewed the history of the tariff board and explained that he vetoed the wool tariff bill last summer because he believed such a report as he now transmits is necessary for intelligent action.

PLAN TO ORGANIZE TAFT CLUBS IS ON

Republicans of Nebraska Meet and Perfect Organization.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 20.—Two hundred and fifty Republicans, half of them from Omaha and Lancaster county, met here in mass convention in response to a call for supporters of President Taft to organize and capture the 16 delegates from Nebraska to the national convention. A state organization was effected and local clubs will be organized wherever possible.

The resolutions adopted declare that the members of the convention are heartily, earnestly and sincerely in favor of the renomination and re-election of President Taft. Here are some of the reasons why he should be re-elected: It is declared that in his grasp of public affairs and in his matured judgment he is the equal and the superior of many of his predecessors. Admiration is expressed for him because "he protects and doesn't destroy the legitimate business interests of the country," while at the same time he has stood for enforcement of the law against the great trusts.

A SURPRISE ON GOVERNMENT

Is Sprung Today by the Attorneys

OF MILLIONAIRE BEFF PACKERS

They Object to Three of Seven Counts.

Ask That the Court Throw Out the Three Counts of the Indictment Before the Trial Proceeds Further—The Court Announces That the Matter Will Be Taken Under Advisement Until Tomorrow.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—The defense in the trial of the ten millionaire packers today sprang a new technicality on the government in an attempt to escape full rigor of the criminal section of the Sherman law.

Attorney Levy Mayer, who was supposed to make the opening statement on behalf of the defense, moved that the court dismiss as defective three of the seven counts on which the beef barons were indicted.

Judge Carpenter took the motions under advisement, and adjourned court until tomorrow when he will render his decision.

Mayer contended that the indictments were defective, because, first, that they included allegations of unlawful acts committed at a time when the statute of limitations would debar prosecution. The second count, he said, alleged illegal acts occurring ten year ago. The third count, he said, declared the defendants guilty of conducting "this business" in the manner described during the three years prior to date the indictment was returned, and Mayer contended that "this business" referred to the packing industry, the conduct of which was not in itself an unlawful business.

Mayer asserted that the first count was defective similarly, because the government, as indicated in District Attorney Wilkerson's opening statement, had based its effect on the false premise that the packing business was illegal. He declared that Wilkerson "sought to cover up deficiencies in the indictments by calling attention to the National Packing company," which was not specifically mentioned in the counts. He said he desired to register objection to the three counts on the ground that they were based on the assumption that the pool existing prior to 1902 was illegal. On this ground also Mayer moved that that part of the government prosecutor's statement which referred to sales or conveyances of stock in independent companies to the National Packing company be stricken out and the jury instructed to disregard them.

Replying on behalf of the government, Wilkerson explained that in previous trust busting suits, it had always been the practice of the courts to permit evidence tending to show a continuing conspiracy. He asked that the defense motions be denied.

Judge Carpenter said he would announce his decision tomorrow.

MRS. SUSAN COLLINS DIES IN COLUMBUS

Death Is Caused by Cancer of the Stomach.

Mrs. Susan Collins, formerly of this city, died at her home in Columbus, Tuesday of cancer of the stomach. The remains arrived here, Friday morning at 10:25 o'clock, and were taken immediately to the Marion cemetery where short services were conducted at the grave by Rev. C. R. Havighurst.

SUGGESTS TAFT AS MEDIATOR

To End the War Between Italy and Turkey.

TO EXERCISE HIS GOOD OFFICES

The President Is Asked by Dr. Abbott Today.

The Doctor Speaks for Himself and Dr. Mary Eddy, Famous Woman Surgeon, Who Is Engaged in Professional Work in Turkey—Dr. Abbott Points Out That The Hague Treaty Empowers Him To Act.

New York, Dec. 20.—President Taft today was asked to exercise his good offices to end the war between Italy and Turkey. The plea for mediation was made by Dr. Lyman Abbott, editor of the Outlook, of which Theodore Roosevelt is contributing editor, and Dr. Mary Eddy, famous woman surgeon, who is engaged in professional work in Turkey.

The president took the matter under advisement, but gave no intimation as to his probable course.

Dr. Abbott pointed out to him that under The Hague conference any nation is empowered to offer to act as a mediator to end a war.

"I took no message to President Taft from Colonel Roosevelt," said Dr. Abbott when he left the president, at the home of the president's brother, Henry W. Taft.

Earlier in the day there had been rumors that there would be important developments today between the president and Colonel Roosevelt, and when Dr. Abbott appeared it was believed he carried a message from the contributing editor.

William Barnes, Jr., chairman of the state committee, visited the president for two hours today. He declined, when he left, to tell newspaper men anything of his visit, other than to say:

"I called on the president because he sent for me; I did not go on my own initiative. We had a very pleasant visit."

1832 TREATY WITH RUSSIA

Will Be Terminated Last Day of December, 1912.

HOUSE ACCEPTS THE SENATE AMENDMENTS

And the Action of President Taft Is Endorsed.

Congressman Victor L. Berger, of Wisconsin, Introduces Resolution Calling Upon the House To Terminate the Treaty of 1887 as Well. Berger Claims Abrogation of 1832 Treaty Won't Give Relief Sought.

Washington, Dec. 20.—The house this afternoon, by a viva voce vote, concurred in the amendment of the senate to the Sulzer resolution, abrogating the treaty of 1832 with Russia. There was no demand for a roll call, and the amendments were accepted practically unanimously.

The action of the house completed the legislative feature of the situation, and the president's notice to Russia now stands as the officially approved action of the United States. It put the final stamp of certainty on the announcement that the Russian treaty of 1832 will be terminated on December 31, 1912.

The next step in the matter will be the reply of Russia to the president's note, which will be followed by plans for the negotiation of a new treaty.

When the resolution for the abrogation of the treaty was laid before the house, this afternoon, Representative Sulzer, Democrat, of New York, chairman of the house committee on foreign affairs and author of the original abrogation resolution, moved that the house accept the senate amendments. He immediately began a speech on the resolution in which he bitterly assailed the president for the later's course in the matter.

Treaty of 1887 Also.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Victor L. Berger, Socialist, of Wisconsin, today introduced a joint resolution calling upon the house to terminate the treaty of 1887 between the United States and Russia. Berger asserted that injuries suffered by citizens of the United States can not be redressed or avoided by the abrogation of the 1832 treaty and recommended the termination also of the treaty which provides for the extradition of persons charged with "crimes and offenses."

Dr. and Mrs. A. B. Lawson, of east Center street, are the parents of a son born Wednesday morning.

REPORT OF THE BOARO ON WOOL

Is Submitted to Both Houses of Congress.

PRESIDENT TAFT TRANSMITS REPORT

The Tariff Board Recommends Specific Duties.

Difference in the Cost of Production of Wool in America and in Australia and South America Is Amazing—Costs Nineteen Cents To Raise Wool in Ohio and in Australia Less Than Four Cents.

Washington, Dec. 20.—Declaring many of the schedules in the Payne-Aldrich tariff to be "prohibitive," the report of the tariff board on wool was submitted to congress today by President Taft.

As to the difference in cost of production at home and abroad, it sets forth that in nearly every woolen product from the dirty fleece up to the finished worsted cloth, it costs much more to produce wool and woolen goods in America than in any other country on earth.

It costs nineteen cents to raise a pound of wool in Ohio, and in Australia considerable less than four cents. These differences continue throughout the woolen industry. While American labor is much higher paid than in Europe, the board finds that it is not as efficient as that in European mills.

One Dollar in Four.

About one dollar of every four paid to the retailer of men's clothing goes to the manufacturer of the cloth. A suit retailing for $23 is sold wholesale by the manufacturer for $16.50. It costs him $14.32. Thus, in general, the manufacturer of cloth and clothing is absolved by the board from the greater part of profit in the high cost of clothing, and it is attributed to the retailer.

The board states, however, that the high duties on wool have not resulted in retail prices as high as might be expected. Competition has kept prices down. This competition was stimulated when the high duties made woolen manufacture very profitable. Then foreign capital came in and built mills.

Specific Duties.

For all woolen entries, the board recommends specific duties instead of the present method of assessing ad valorem rates. The ad valorem system makes duties high when prices are high and the consumer most needs relief, although the producer is best able to bear competition. When prices are low and the consumer has need of foreign competition, then under the ad valorem system duties are low and the foreign competition comes in.

The board advocates "specific duties" as the best and easiest way to offset the difference in cost of production here and abroad. Because of the difficulty in classifying fabrics, however, the board recommends a combination specific and ad valorem duty on woolen cloths, a low ad valorem rate on cheap goods, increasing to the highest rate on expensive goods. Exactly the reverse policy was adopted by the framers of the Payne-Aldrich tariff.

Wool Growing Studied.

Experts for the board studied wool growing in Australia, South America, South Africa, Great Britain and other European countries, and in 173 counties in nineteen states in this country. The report reads:

"The result of the raw wool investigation establishes the fact that it costs more to grow wool in the United States than in any other country: that the merino wools required in such great volume by our mills, are the most expensive of all wools produced; that the highest average cost of production of such wool in the world is in the state of Ohio and contiguous territory; and that the lowest average cost on similar wool is in Australasian."

Costs Compared.

Deducting the proceeds from the sales of lambs and mutton, which usually balance the expense of the flock, the average cost of fine merino wool in the United States is twelve cents per pound. The entire wool crop—fine and coarse wools—costs nine and one-half cents a pound to produce.

In South America the cost is between four and five cents.

The Australasian costs are considerably below the South American. The report says:

"The present duty of thirty-three cents per pound on scoured wool is prohibitive, preventing effectually the importation of clean, low-priced foreign wools of the lower grades that would be exceedingly useful in the manufacture of woolens in this country, and if so used might displace in large measure the cheap substitutes now so frequently employed in that industry."

Shrinkage Allowance High.

The Payne-Aldrich law bases its raw wool duties on the assumption that greasy wool, when cleaned, shrinks an average of two-thirds. This shrinkage allowance is much too high, the board finds. The average shrinkage of imported wools is about forty-eight per cent., and of all domestic wools between fifty-five and sixty per cent. The rates on wool waste, rags and shoddy are called prohibitive, and the report states that the present tariff practically excludes from importation all lops and yarns except the most expensive worsted yarns.

"The same is true," it says, "of low grade wool and cloth for men's wear. A considerable quantity of the fine and expensive fabrics are imported. In the fiscal year 1911 these did not constitute three per cent. of the total consumption of the United States."

Relative Merits of Duties.

The report then discusses the relative merits of specific duties levied on weight and ad valorem duties. These duties are applied in combinations to fabrics, and the result is that on 'cheap goods the Payne-Aldrich specific duty is sometimes in excess of the total value of raw material on the basis of cost of production in this country.

"Consequently," the board says, "the nominal duty on certain cheap fabrics, if imported—which is impossible under the existing duty—is commonly as high as 150 per cent. ad valorem, and in some cases even over 200 per cent. Much of the objection to the present compensatory duty as excessive would be removed by putting the duty on wool on the scoured, or cleaned, basis instead of on the grease pound. The duty in that case would be adjusted to the actual wool."

Not Up to Duties.

But prices in this country have not been increased by the full amount of these prohibitive duties, the board finds.

The board said that goods assessed at from 150 to 200 per cent. and thereby prohibited, were sold in this country at a price only sixty to eighty per cent. higher than similar goods abroad. This is the result of domestic competition, it says.

"At the present time," says the report, "the industry in general is on a competitive basis."

In reference to the higher cost of production of woolen cloths, the yarns in this country, one element is the forty-five per cent. ad valorem duty paid on machinery, most of which is imported, says the report. American manufactures pay seventy per cent. more for the machinery than do the English.

Eighty Per Cent. More.

Turning wool into tops costs eighty per cent. more in America than in England, and the cost of producing yarn here is about twice the cost in England.

The figures of the board show that it costs from sixty to 170 per cent. more to turn yarn into cloth here than in England. The same difference is shown in comparison with the figures for France. But the difference is not so wide in a comparison with the German cost.

"In the ready-made clothing industry, the cloth is the largest single element and is equal to one-third of the net wholesale selling price," said the report. "In considering the importance of cloth cost to the wearer of clothing, it is necessary to bear in mind the margin between wholesale and retail price. The retail price is usually fifty per cent. or more above the net wholesale price. On this basis about twenty-five per cent. of the price paid the retailer goes to the manufacturer of cloth. The cost of material, labor, and all other expense undergone in converting material into finished garments is eighty per cent. of the net wholesale selling price of the finished product. Out of the remaining twenty per cent. the manufacturer must pay his selling expense.

ADDISON T. REDD DIES NEAR NEWMAN'S

Death Comes as Result of a Long Illness.

Green Camp, O., Dec. 20.—[Special.]—Addison T. Redd, aged fifty-two years, died of stomach trouble and complications at his home about one-half mile north of Newmans, this morning at 10:15 o'clock. Mr. Redd had been confined to his bed for some time and was failing in health for over a year. Up until about ten years ago, Mr. Redd lived on a farm about seven miles south of Marion on the Delaware pike and he spent practically all his life in Marion county. A widow and two children, a son, Harley, aged about twenty-five, and a daughter, Irene, aged about twenty, survive. Mr. Redd was quite widely known. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias lodge at Prospect and a member of the Prospect Methodist church.

TARIFF BOARD ON COST OF $25 SUIT

Costs and profits in a man's $25 fancy worsted ready-made suit, from the tariff board's report:

Cost of raising wool in Ohio	$ 1.55
Farmers' profit	.68
Wool broker's commission	.19
Cost of making cloth	2.13
Woolen manufacturer's profit	.23
Trimming, lining, etc.	2.77
Cost of making suit	3.74
Official expense, overhead charges, etc.	1.12
Clothing manufacturer's selling expense	1.91
Clothing manufacturer's profit	2.18
Retailer's expenses and profits	8.50
Price to consumer	$25.00

RICHESON TRIES TO KILL HIMSELF

Inflicts a Terrible Wound in His Groin.

USES SHARP PIECE OF TIN AS WEAPON

May Die as Result of Blood Poisoning.

The Former Brookline Pastor Who Is Held for the Alleged Murder of Pretty Avis Linnell of Hyannis, Is Found in His Cell Moaning in Agony and Bleeding Terribly from His Wound.

Boston, Dec. 20.—Rev. Clarence Virgil Thompson Richeson, former pastor of the ultra-fashionable Immanuel Baptist church, of Cambridge, held in the Charles Street jail on the charge of murdering pretty Avis Linnell, attempted to commit suicide at 2:30 o'clock this morning. He may recover.

Richeson stabbed himself in the groin with a piece of tin, just as his guards were changing. He was rushed to the prison hospital in a critical condition.

"There is no escape from confession but suicide," once declared Daniel Webster, in a famous New England murder trial. "And suicide is confession."

Though Richeson is not known to have confessed, many believe his attempted suicide today was impelled by a conscience which gave him no rest.

Attempt at Suppression.

Desperate efforts were made by the prison officials to prevent the news of the attempted suicide from becoming known. When Richeson was found in his cell, in a pool of blood, writhing with pain, he was carried immediately into the hospital ward, and all the guards and attendants sworn to secrecy.

The story leaked out late in the morning, when a short-term prisoner who had seen the wounded man on his way to the hospital, went to a newspaper office and sold the information.

Later it was denied by prison officials, but even as they were denying it there came ringing through the prison corridors Richeson's wild voice: "My God, I'm dying," he shrieked, again and again, "My God, I'm dying."

It was only then that the officials would confirm the story.

Not of Normal Mind.

Medical examiners for the county and a number of physicians were hurried to the jail to attend to Richeson's injury. They declared the wounds could not have been inflicted by a normal-minded man.

At 10:30 o'clock Assistant District Attorney Lavelle, who was hastenly summoned to the jail, declared the physicians believed that the wounded pastor might live, but that his condition at that hour was very critical, the self-inflicted wounds being of such a nature that blood-poisoning might result at any time.

Richeson timed his attempted suicide well, and carried out all his plans with a fiendish ingenuity. How he secured the piece of jagged tin with which he tortured himself may never be known, though it is thought he picked it up secretly while being permitted to exercise in the "bull pen."

The night and early morning guards are changed at 2:30 in the morning.

Little Attention Paid.

Little attention had been paid by the night guards to Richeson for he has been an ideal prisoner. As the day guards came in, however, they heard moans from Richeson's cell.

"What have you done?" demanded the warden.

"I have cut myself and I'm bleeding to death," moaned the prisoner, now thoroughly alarmed, it seemed, despite his desperate attempt at self-murder.

It was discovered at once that Richeson was in a critical condition, and a number of physicians and surgeons were summoned. They found Richeson suffering tortures. He was immediately placed under an anaesthesia, and his wounds examined. It was decided after a hasty consultation that an operation was necessary. Drs. Brough, Ames Sargent and Lathrop, who had been summoned, assisted.

LIBERAL RESPONSE IS MADE TO APPEAL

Salvation Army Is Doing a Great Deal of Good.

Captain Edith MacCullom, of the Salvation army, states that the people are responding liberally to her public appeal for aid to make Christmas a happy event for many unfortunates.

An investigation made by the army, Tuesday, revealed a family of seven, six of whom were shoeless. They were provided with shoes, but Captain MacCullom says more shoes are needed, shoes for children especially.

The annual visit of Santa Claus to the Salvation army hall on south Main street will take place, Thursday, December 28, instead of on Christmas day as formerly announced. A treat and toys for 100 children are planned by the army.

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Sheriff's Sale of Real Estate
Case No. 13138

Solomon L Trumbo Plaintiff, vs Noah Trumbo et al Defendant

Court of Common Pleas of Marion County Ohio

By virtue of an Order of Sale from said Court to me directed I will expose to sale at public auction at the door of the Court House in Marion Marion County Ohio on Saturday the 13th day of January A D 1912 at 2 o clock p m the following described real estate situated in the County of Marion and State of Ohio and in the Township of Bowling Green to wit

Situated in the Township of Bowling Green County of Marion and State of Ohio and bounded and described as follows Being part of Virginia Military S No 698 and bounded and described as follows Beginning at A I Longberry's southeast corner at a stake from which a twin 12 inches in diameter bears south 81 degrees west 16½ links thence north 81 degrees east 86 100 poles to a stake in the center of a county road from which a large elm bears south 43 degree west 62 links thence with the center of said road south 7¾ degrees west 9 4 100 poles to a stake and beech corner thence north 8½ degrees west 9 poles and Longberry's southwest corner a sugar ash 4 inches in diameter bears north 6° degrees west 11 links and a white ash 6 inches in diameter bears south west 9 links thence north 82 degrees east 86 poles to the place beginning containing 51 57 100 acres more or less

Said Premises appraised at $43 00

Terms of Sale One third cash on day of sale one third in one year and one third in two years from date of sale deferred payments to draw interest at the rate of six per centum payable annually and secured by mortgage on premises sold

JOHN G STARK
Sheriff Marion County O
By C Breen Deputy
Messenger & Guthery Attorneys
13 Tu and Wks

Sheriff's Sale of Real Estate.
Case No 12635

Frederick K Jenner Plaintiff vs J N Bell et al Defendant

Court of Common Pleas of Marion County Ohio

By virtue of an Order of Sale from said Court to me directed I will expose to sale at public auction at the door of the Court House in Marion Marion County Ohio on Saturday the 13th day of January A D 1912 at 2 o clock p m the following described real estate situated in the County of Marion and State of Ohio and in the Township of Bowling Green to wit

Situated in the County of Marion in the State of Ohio and in the Township of Montgomery and bounded and described as follows viz and being in the southeast quarter (¼) of number twenty five (25) Township No 3 S R No 13 East and is as follows to wit Beginning at the northeast corner of Amie Carv's land in the west line of land formerly owned by T VanFleet thence south along VanFleet's west line nine and seventy nine hundredths (9 79) rods to a stake thence west thirty nine and eighty hundredths (39 80) rods to a stake thence north fourteen and fifty hundredths (14 50) rods to a stake thence east eleven (11) rods to Amie Carv's west line thence south along Amie Carv's west line four and eighty eight hundredths (4 88) rods to the southwest corner thereof thence east along Amie Carv's south line twenty eight and eighty hundredths (28 80) rods to the place of beginning containing two and seventy-five hundredths (2 75) acres of land more or less

Said Premises appraised at $110 00

Terms of Sale Cash

JOHN G STARK
Sheriff Marion County O
By C Breen Deput
J W Jacoby Attorney
12 Tu and Wks

Sheriff's Sale of Real Estate.
Case No 13176

James B Guthery Plaintiff vs A M Peoples et al Defendant

Court of Common Pleas of Marion County Ohio

In pursuance of an Order of Sale from said Court to me directed I will expose to sale at public auction at the door of the Court House in Marion Marion County Ohio on Saturday the 13th day of January A D 1912 at 2 o clock p m the following described real estate situated in the County of Marion and State of Ohio and in the City of Marion to wit

Situated in the City of Marion County of Marion and State of Ohio and bounded and described as follows Being 50 feet off of the east side of lot twenty one hundred and ninety nine (2199) in F A Thompson's Addition to the City of Marion Ohio

Said Premises appraised at $750 00

Terms of Sale Cash

JOHN G STARK
Sheriff Marion County O
By C Breen Deputy
Messenger & Guthery Attorneys
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SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS.

The School Examiners of Marion County Ohio, will meet for the examination of teachers at the Central school building, Saturday,

January 6
February 3
March 2
April 6
May 4
June 1

Examinations commence at 8 00 a m and no application will be received after 10 a. m All examinations will be written and positively no private examinations will be granted. A fee of 50 cents will be charged on admission to the examination and each applicant will furnish an envelope, stamped and addressed to him or herself in which a certificate or notice of failure will be forwarded Applicants will be graded on a scale of 100 No certificate will be granted when the grade in any branch falls below 70 An average of 75 with a minimum of 70 secures a certificate for one year 85 with a minimum of 80 and twelve months experience secures a certificate for two years 90 with a minimum of 85 and twenty-four months experience secures a certificate for 3 years 95 with a minimum of 90 and thirty six months experience secures a certificate for 5 years An average of 98 with a minimum of 95 and sixty months experience secures a certificate for 8 years.

Success in the school room will also be taken into consideration in determining the class of certificate.

P B Bell Pres
W P Moloney Vice Pres
S W Almendinger clerk.

Some lovely evening wraps are worn in chiffon velvet The wide band of embroidery or heavy lace is at the knees and not the lower edge

SOME FIGURES FROM THE TAX DUPLICATE

Tax Book No 1 Is Turned Over to the County Treasurer.

TAXES LEVIED IN VARIOUS DISTRICTS

The Comparisons Between Levies for 1910 and 1911—Officers Keep Within the Law—The Number of Male and Female Dogs in Certain Localities of the County.

Tax book No 1, was completed by County Auditor Jay Spaulding, Thursday afternoon, and turned over to County Treasurer Robert S Dombaugh It shows that the officials so far as Marion Montgomery, Richland Grand and Scott townships and the villages of New Bloomington and LaRue, the taxing districts covered by No 1 book are concerned kept within the law and levied less tax in each district in 1911 than in 1910

The amount of taxes levied in Marion township for all purposes for 1910 was $26 045 12 and for 1911 the amount was $24 574 1 The number of dogs in 1910 was 141 or 130 males and eleven females For 1911 there were 201 or 183 males and twenty two females

The amount of taxes levied for all purposes in Montgomery township for 1910 was $36 875 46 and for 1911 the amount was $ 4 961 7_ The number of dogs in 1910 was eighty-five, or seventy-nine males and six females In 1911 the number was 108 or 101 males and seven females

The amount of taxes levied in Richland township for all purposes in 1910 was $12 214 32 and for 1911 the amount was $10 940 92 The number of dogs was 185 in 1910 of which number only five were females and for 1911 the number was 162 of which only four were females

Grand township levied $6 117 in 1910 for all purposes and $5,896 12 in 1911 and had only sixty-four dogs four being females in 1910 In 1911 it had fifty seven dogs only four of them being females

In Scott township the amount of taxes levied for all purposes was $10 839 89 for 1910 and in 1911 the amount was $9 162 74 The dogs in 1910 numbered fifty-three with two females, and in 1911 they numbered fifty three with five females

The amount of taxes levied for all proposes by New Bloomington corporation was $1 491 34 for 1910 and $1 298 60 for 1911 One male dog was reported for 1910 and six for 1911

LaRue's levy for all purposes for 1910 was $9 345 20 and for 1911 it was $7,144 86 In 1910 there were only six dogs, all males, and in 1911 the number was twenty two with only two females

RECORD MADE BY PROSPECT HORSEMAN

Horses Are Much Lower Than a Year Ago.

H D Beavers, Prospect's well known horseman, will close the year with a record of having shipped 470 fine horses to the Eastern markets and selling 100 Iowa horses here Owing to the high cost of feed, the home trade has been the lightest since he has been in the business Mr Beavers says

Market horses are from twenty-five to forty per cent lower than a year ago with the single exception of the heavy classes Mr Beavers has also handled 200 milk cows during the year, and within the last thirty days he has shipped two express loads of horses to New York City one freight carload to Pittsburgh and sold forty Iowa horses He has orders for three express loads of horses for January and will hold two sales of Iowa horses after January

Mr Beavers is one of the best known horse dealers in Ohio and the Eastern and Western markets

MRS. SARAH BRANDLE IS BADLY INJURED

Will Be Crippled for Life as Result of Accident.

Mrs Sarah Brandle a widow fifty-six years old who is employed as a domestic at the home of Mr and Mrs A Benton of Olney avenue fell down a stairway at the Benton home Thursday night about 10 o clock and destroyed her left kneecap As a result she will be crippled for life Dr H J Lower was called and the injured woman removed to the Marion City hospital

Mrs Brandle had gone upstairs to retire A light was burning at the head of the stairway which is steep and about twenty feet long She turned out the light and then, becoming bewildered as she endeavored to find her room in the darkness turned about and walked back to the open stairway where she fell

PROSPECT YOUNG PEOPLE MARRIED

Miss Ethel Knachel and Mr John Kyle.

Prospect O Dec 15—[Special] —Miss Ethel Knachel and Mr John Kyle were united in marriage at the Lutheran church parsonage Thursday afternoon at 5 30 o clock Rev L H Rurrelbrink officiating

Mrs Kyle is a daughter of Mr and Mrs Levi Knachel, who reside here She has a large circle of friends and is popular The groom is a son of Mr and Mrs Wilbur Kyle residing west of town and is an exemplary young man

THE TIME TEST

Marion People Cannot Demand Stronger Proof of Merit

The test of time is what tells the tale The public is quick to discover misrepresentations and merit alone will stand the test of time Long ago, Marion citizens publicly endorsed Doan's Kidney Pills they do so still Would these statements be confirmed by Marion residents if Doan's Kidney Pills did not possess lasting merit? The following testimony should convince the most skeptical reader

Mrs Emma I Moore, 279 S Prospect St Marion Ohio says I can still recommend Doan's Kidney Pills as they do all that is claimed for them They fixed me up in good shape when I was suffering from kidney trouble You may continue to use my former endorsement as it was true in every way " (Statement given October 14 1911)

On July 27, 1904 Mrs Moore said I had a bad case of backache together with pains in my head This trouble caused restlessness at night and made my housework burdensome Doan's Kidney Pills came to my notice and I got a supply at Schmidt & Co's Drug Store I found relief in a few days and soon all trace of the trouble had disappeared I can certainly say that Doan's Kidney Pills are a splendid remedy for backache troubles

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Harry C Scherff, one of Marion's best known young men has been made manager of the H S Lister & Company's store in West Marion and is now in full charge of the establishment in which he has also acquired an interest

For about twelve years Mr Scherff was employed by the Marion Steam Shovel company in the purchasing department but more recently was connected with the Monarch Machinery company of New York City This firm manufactures material used by the furniture makers, and his three years service with the company makes him thoroughly familiar with the timber that goes into the making of high grade furniture Mr Scherff, because of his knowledge of the quality of furniture gained as a result of his connection with the New York company will be a very valuable man for the H S Lister & Company, which handles furniture exclusively

WIANT BOOKSTORE IS VERY ATTRACTIVE

An Opening Is Attended by Many Patrons Friday.

Large crowds attended the opening of the C G Wiant bookstore Friday evening The room has recently been remodeled into one of the finest store-rooms in the city and hundreds of people visited the store during the hours of the opening from 7 to 10 o clock

The room was decorated with red carnations, ferns and penants and throughout the evening a Victrola program was rendered Pretty booklets and pencils were given the visitors as souvenirs

The room has been opener back to the alley and handsome new showcases with marble bases have been placed to the front on the east side Counters and cases extend down this side to the rear entrance while on the west side sections of shelving in oak finish hold books magazines and post cards The room is frescoed in leather color and leather upholstered seats in the same tone are placed for the comfort of visitors at the rear of the west window In this corner a table will be fitted out with writing materials for the use of patrons

THE POSTAL SAVINGS BANK AT PROSPECT

Editor Poppleton Finds Little in It To Brag About.

Commenting on the postal savings bank to be established at Prospect, January 4, Editor Frank C Poppleton, of the Prospect Monitor says in the last week's issue of his paper

"Why the government wishes to inflict Prospect with a postal savings bank is beyond the knowledge of anyone in this commonwealth but she's going to have one" and it will be open January 4, under the direction of Postmaster, J J Roberts and our good people can then leave their dollars with Mr Roberts for an interest that will hardly pay for the time used in making deposits, and going through the red tape methods attending the same Postal banks may do for some places but it is a question if one will benefit Prospect

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COMING OFFERINGS AT THE CHAUTAUQUA

Program for Next Assembly Is Completed.

SOME FAVORITES ARE COMING AGAIN

Bishop Bristol, Father McCorry, Ex-Senator Frank Cannon and Senator Thomas E. Gore Are Notable New Engagements—A Big, Fine Nine-Day Program—New Music.

The Marion County Chautauqua program for the 1912 assembly has been completed and the program committee believes the standard of the successful assemblies of the past has been more than maintained Over three thousand dollars are expended on attractions

The 1912 assembly will open on Saturday July 20 and extend over the nine days, ending Sunday night July 28 Both the opening and closing numbers are return engagements, for the honor of opening goes to J Adam Bede, and the farwell lecture as in last year's program falls to Ex-Governo Glenn, whose immense popularity her lead to an insisted demand for his third engagement

There are other pleasing return engagements, notably George R Stuart, who lectures the first Sunday, and Dr Amherst Ott Dr Pearson is not to return this year but the morning lectures are to be special features of the next assembly Prof Frank Lockwood of the Allegheney college Professo J W Cook of Amherst college and Madame Mountford will be the morning attractions

The musical program will speak for itself The only thing now puzzling the managing directors is a suitable auditorium to accommodate and make comfortable the increased attendance expected at the next assembly

The detailed program is given out as follows the only uncertainty relating to Russell J Conwell

Saturday, July 20—Earnest Gamble Concert party and J Adam Bede afternoon The Gamble party, night

Sunday July 21—Dr Davidson morning Gamble party and George R Stuart afternoon Gamble party and Rev Father McCorry night Father McCorry is counted a headliner among the ten attractions

Monday, July 22—Professor Lockwood and Madam Mountford, morning The Dunbars and Madam Mountford, afternoon, Dunbars, night

Tuesday, July 23—Professor Lockwood and Madam Mountford, morning, The Dunbars and Lou J Beauchamp, afternoon the Dunbars and Bishop Frank Bristol, night

Wednesday July 24—Same morning lecturers Tyrolean Alpine Singers and Hon Frank J Cannon ex senator from Utah afternoon Tyrolean singers and Reno B Welborn in scientific lecture night

Thursday July 25—Professor Crooks and Madam Mountford morning, Tyrolean singers and Adrian M Newens afternoon full concert night

Friday, July 26—Same morning lecturers Lotus Glee club and Dr Ott afternoon Lotus club and Russel Conwell night

Saturday July 27—Morning lecturers, same, Lotus Glee club and Judge George D Alden afternoon same music and John B Ratio, in character studies night

Sunday July 28—Dr Davidson morning, Bakers band Miss Nell Bunnell soloist and Senator Gore of Oklahoma afternoon the band Miss Bunnell and Governor Glenn night Dr Davidson, so intimately in touch with Chautauqua work says the Marion program is the finest nine day offering in all the land

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AUDITOR SPAULDING FINISHES BOOK NO. 3

Five Townships and One Village Represented

RETURNS MADE BY TAXING OFFICIALS

The Tax Levy in Each Instance Is Kept Within the Provisions of the Law and Is Lower Than the Levy of the Year Before—Figures from the Duplicate.

County Auditor Jay Spaulding, Friday afternoon completed book No 3 of the tax duplicate and turned it over to County Treasurer R S Dombaugh It consists of Tully, Grand Prairie Salt Rock, Big Island and Claridon townships and the village of Caledonia The taxing officials kept within the law and levied less tax in each taxing district for 1911 than for 1910

In Tully township $14 846 94 was levied in 1910 and in 1911 the levy was $12 927 42 The number of dogs in 1910 was ninety-one males and eight females and in 1911 the number was ninety six males and six females

The sum of $10 018 10 was levied in 1911 in Grand Prairie township, while for 1911 the sum levied was $7,460 52 The dogs in 1910 numbered forty-two males and one female, and in 1911 they numbered fifty-five males and two females

Salt Rock township levied $10 506 05 in 1910, and in 1911 the sum of $9,997 52 was levied The dogs in 1910 numbered forty two males and one female and in 1911 they numbered thirty-five males and one female

In Big Island township the levy was $17 427 53 in 1910 and in 1911 it was $16 081 28 The dogs in 1910 numbered 112 males and seven females while in 1911 they numbered 125 males and nine females

Claridon township levied $20 362 34 in 1910, and in 1911 the sum of $17,608 26 was levied For 1910 the dogs numbered 226 males and fourteen females while for 1911 they numbered 245 males and twenty six females

The village of Caledonia levied $7,233 32 in 1910 and $5 931 92 in 1911 The dogs in 1910 numbered fifteen males and four females, and in 1911 they numbered thirteen males and three females

THE IMBODY HOME SCENE OF SURPRISE

Imbody Family To Move to Farm Near Richwood.

Mr and Mrs Perry Imbody and the latter's mother Mrs Leota Miller, were given a pleasant surprise Friday night at the Imbody home in Richland township by the members of the Richland township H I Embroidery club and their husbands

Mr and Mrs Imbody and Mrs Miller who have lived on a farm eight miles southeast of the city for years are planning to move to a farm near Richwood and the surprise was given as a farewell

All of the callers carried well filled baskets and the evening was passed in a social way until a late hour when a big feast was enjoyed

In a contest Miss Mabel Firstenberger was awarded the first prize and Mrs John Firstenberger the second prize.

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RATES OF TAXATION.

In pursuance of law I ROBERT S DOMBAUGH Treasurer of Marion County Ohio do hereby give notice that the number of mills levied on each dollar of property listed for taxation within said county for the tax year 1911 is as follows

FOR STATE PURPOSES Sinking fund 03½ mill university fund 08½ mill common school fund 1 mill total state levy 4½ mill

FOR COUNTY PURPOSES County fund 1 01½ mills infirmity fund 1 11 mill children's home fund 1 5 mill bridge fund 2½ mill pike fund 829 mill election fund 09 mill soldier relief fund 06½ mill judicial fund 0½ mill blind fund 07 mill county debt fund 11 mill total county levy 8 78½ mills total state and county levy 9 28½ mills

FOR LOCAL PURPOSES See table below

NAMES OF CORPORATIONS TOWNSHIPS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS	Total County	Total County and State	School	Township	Corporation	Road	December 1911 Tax	June 1912 Tax	Total for Year	
1 Big Island Tp	2 878	3 329	1 60	1 50		1 60	2 650	2 925	5 840	1
2 N Bloomington V S D	2 878	3 329	2 20	1 50		60	3 260	3 200	6 460	2
3 Bowling Green Tp	2 878	3 329	2 41	1 50		81	3 140	3 140	6 280	1
4 LaRue V S D	2 878	3 329	1 11	1 50		1 14	3 004	3 003	6 007	4
5 Claridon Tp	2 878	3 329	1 50	1 50		1 90	3 282	3 282	6 564	5
6 Caledonia Corporation	2 878	3 329	1 50	2 000		1 430	5 130	5 130	10 260	16
7 Caledonia V S D	2 878	3 329	1			1 90	3 490	3 490	6 980	17
8 Grand Tp	2 878	3 329	1	1		1 90	3 473	3 473	6 946	3
9 Goshen and Grand Tp S D	2 878	3 329	1 11	201		1	3 129	3 129	6 258	9
10 Dudley Goshen Grand and Montgomery Tp S D No 1 District	2 878	3 329	1 41	1		1	3	3	6	20
11 Grand and Montgomery Tp S D	2 878	3 329	1 20	1		1	3	3	6	11
12 Grand Prairie Tp	2 878	3 329	1 11	1 1		1 08	2 850	2 850	5 700	42
13 Morral V S D	2 878	3 329	1 041	1 74		1 08	3 813	3 813	7 626	12
14 Green Camp Tp	2 878	3 329	2 25	1 00		1	3 340	3 340	6 680	14
15 Green Camp Corporation	2 878	3 329	2	1 00	1 121	1	3 240	3 240	6 480	15
16 Green Camp V S D	2 878	3 329	1	1 00		1	3 250	3 250	6 500	16
17 Marion Tp	2 878	3 329	1 114	1 00		1 102	2 518	2 518	5 036	17
18 Marion Ditches							400	400	800	18
19 Marion Corp in addition above on real estate	2 878	3 329	3 973	1 00	4 08	1	6 100	6 100	12 200	19
20 Marion City S D	2 878	3 329	3 629	1 50		1 02	6	6	12	20
21 Marion Ditches							400	400	800	21
22 Marion Corp Tp S D Inc above on real estate	2 878	3 329	1 41	1 00	1 08		4 521	4 520	9 041	22
23 Montgomery Tp	2 878	3 329	3 260	1 72		1	3 616	3 616	7 232	128
24 Dudley Goshen Grand and Montgomery Tp School District	2 878	3 329	3	1 32		1	3	3	6	24
25 LaRue Corp	2 878	3 329	1 49	1 00		1	406	406	810	125
26 LaRue V S D	2 878	3 329	1 40	1 72		1	3	3	6	126
27 N Bloomington Corp	2 878	3 329	2 42	1 72	1 78		6 021	6 041	12 062	127
28 N Bloomington V S D	2 878	3 329	2 21	1 72		1	3 748	3 747	7 495	128
29 Pleasant Tp	2 878	3 329	1 76	1 58		1	3 761	3 761	7 522	129
30 Richland and Pleasant Tps School District	2 878	3 329	2 01	1 58		1	3 118	3 118	6 236	130
31 Prospect Tp	2 878	3 329	1 8	1 58		1	3 784	3 784	7 568	131
32 Prospect Corporation	2 878	3 329	1 94	1 72	2 630		6 789	6 789	13 578	132
Prospect V S D	2 878	3 329	1 84	2 00		1	4 237	4 237	8 474	133
34 Richland Tp	2 878	3 329	2 01	1 72		1	3 084	3 084	6 168	134
35 Salt Rock Tp	2 878	3 329	1 41	1 00		1	3	3	6	135
36 Morral Corporation	2 878	3 329	1 041	1 00	2 681		2 675	2 675	5 350	136
37 Morral V S D	2 878	3 329	1 041	1 00		1	3	3	6	137
38 Scott Tp	2 878	3 329	2 273	1 8		1	3 110	3 110	6 220	138
39 Tully Tp	2 878	3 329	2 677	1 83		1	3	3	6	139
40 Waldo Tp	2 878	3 329	1 648			1	2 971	2 971	5 942	140
41 Waldo Corporation	2 878	3 329	2 643	2 370		1	3 256	3 256	6 512	141
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TAFT AGAIN, OR A DEMOCRATIC SUCCESSOR

Whatever may be the final outcome of the talk about a presidential primary, we do not apprehend that there will be any serious defection from the Taft column in the Ohio delegation to the next Republican national convention. The opposition to President Taft comes from only two or three sources. That which is marked under the name of "Progressive Republicanism" has been shown to be only anti-Taft, and it is fomented and kept alive by self-seeking politicians, who have either been disappointed by not being continued in power under the present administration, or have been denied the recognition and influence they sought in the making of federal appointments. These men are for "anybody to beat Taft," and that is the whole of their plan. Some of them incline to Colonel Roosevelt as the one most likely to accomplish their purpose, others to La Follette, or Cummins, or Beveridge, as most likely to further their own fortunes.

Then there is the opposition of "Big Business," based upon Mr. Taft's resolute enforcement of laws to their disadvantage, although his course has been in direct compliance with the declarations of all party platforms and the proclaimed policies of his predecessor. This opposition, which should make the president stronger in a popular campaign, will not continue if it is found that the vested interests can not force the nomination of a reactionary, like Harmon, devoted soul and body to the interests of the money kings.

Again there is the opposition of certain big city papers, which formerly Republican, have fallen into wholly commercial hands. In some cases, the owners are Democrats by training and habit; in other cases the publishers have in their other and principal ventures felt the halter of the trust prosecutor draw about their own throats; elsewhere the newspapers are under lease to men not allied with the Republican party or friendly to its candidates. All of these papers have been foes of Taft ever since his inauguration and the formation of his cabinet. This opposition has been largely discounted, and, as the people become better acquainted with the conditions of ownership of the large papers, their influence will be completely nullified.

The most serious form of the opposition to President Taft in Ohio is in the rural communities. Last year during the incipiency and pendency of the reciprocity legislation, the over-protected interests in New England financed a campaign of misrepresentation in the farm papers upon the president's tariff views. This was generously supplemented by offers of free plate service to the rural press. The campaign was effective, unquestionably. But much of this opposition has already disappeared and as the real purpose and achievements of the president are brought to the attention of the rural voters he will regain much that he has lost.

Colonel New, in speaking of Indiana, said, "If Taft can not carry Indiana, no other Republican can do so." This is true as applied to Ohio. There is absolutely no sentiment for La Follette among the Republicans of Ohio. His candidacy is entirely the expression of the Scripps league of papers, owned by a Socialist-anarchist in California, who would not support him if nominated. Colonel Roosevelt has determined enemies as well as friends in Ohio. It is represented that Committeeman Ward, of New York, declared that Roosevelt was the only Republican who could carry the Empire state. And yet last year, the colonel's own candidate, selected and nominated by him personally, was buried under the largest adverse majority ever given in the state. Has the colonel changed his attitude or what assurance is given that the people have changed theirs toward him?

The anti-Taft crowd has been doing all the shouting, making all the noise. It will discover in time that the people are determined to do justice to a faithful, honest servant. And none of his critics undertake to question the honesty or patriotic purpose of the chief executive. They assail only his judgment, and usually on false grounds. He has a magnificent report to make of his stewardship. He took the helm when the ship was almost on the rocks, in the midst of a financial and industrial storm. He has steered it within sight of a harbor. He has brought system and economy to bear upon the departments under him, he has pushed to conclusion the moot question of trust control; he has given strong impetus to the movement for universal peace; he has made the law feared and respected; he has upheld the beneficient policy of protection to American industries while seeking the correction of tariff evils and the extension of commerce; he has made mistakes, which is not unusual, and he has acknowledged them, which is remarkable; he has maintained friendly relations with all nations, but at the same time acted promptly to put our forces in a state of preparedness whenever American interests were threatened; he has acted calmly, judicially, always under warrant of law, never spectacularly, truculently, or outside the authority vested in the executive. He has betrayed no trust, no pledges and no friendships.

It is possible that he may not be reelected. He, himself, has admitted frankly that he may fail of reelection; but the conditions which make that a matter of doubt are not of his making. The people are sometimes deceived and deluded and this may be such a time; but we have faith that this is not so. Should it come, Mr. Taft can afford to wait complacently for the judgment of history, which will assign him to a place among the ablest, most patriotic and bravest of our great presidents.

In any event, he will have the support of Ohio at the convention and at the election which follows. The Republican party can survive defeat with him as its leader, if it must come; it can not live after surrender to the wreckers who have invaded its party councils.

CHRIST, THE REFORMER SEEKS THE INDIVIDUAL

It is to be regretted that Rev. Mr. King, of Trinity Baptist church, could not have preached his morning sermon of last Sunday to all of Marion; nay, more, such a sermon should be thundered throughout the length and breadth of the land. It is a bit of the convincing gospel that the whole country needs

Rev. Mr. King had for his theme "Christ, the Reformer," and the central, dominant thought was that reformation must reach the individual. The pulpit application, of course, is that the saving grace of Jesus Christ in the heart is the key to all reformation. A Christian world will not dispute, it can not; but whether one accepts Christianity, he must accept the logic of a better order with any people beginning in the individuals that make up that people.

The world needs more of such convincing sermons. We need more converts to righteousness and less futile efforts to legislate everybody into a righteous state. We need more convincing, and less attempt to coerce by law.

It has always struck us that it was a confession of weakness that the great and good Christian religion never deserved—to confess an inability to reach men through its teaching and seek to reform them by legislation. It has detracted from the influence of the church. But upon reflection, the weakness is not of the church, it is the ineffectiveness of the ministry. The American people are not drifting from the influence of the church, but the pulpit has too often failed to convince and carry the needed conviction The great truth has never failed, the failure is in its utterance. Not enough preaching has stirred the individual conscience.

The truth is that the uplifting, helpful, moralizing influence of Christian teaching has been too much neglected, while accomplishment has been sought in legislation. The force of moral law has been ignored in seeking cure-alls in statuatory law enacted by men. There has been more concentration on civic correction than moral redemption, and as Rev. Mr. King so forcefully pointed out, the latter must come first and must have its beginning in the individual heart.

Sermons like this of Rev. Mr. King at Trinity church are more than devotional pabulum to his congregation, They stir thought and conscience and a new consecration, and the effects reach beyond congregational and denominational lines. And more men and women, with righteousness in their hearts, will soon make Marion a fairer and better city, no matter what the statutes require, no matter who is elected president or what goes into the new constitution, no matter whether initiative and referendum and recall prevail.

If President Taft shows as good judgment in the selection of his state campaign and financial managers everywhere as he did in New York, the Democratic papers will be attacking him more bitterly than ever

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A lot of people would like to follow the example of Commissioner Seiter and leave their salaries accumulate for two years, but they don't do it. There's a reason.

Maybe the reason the beef packers have been dodging the issue for the last ten years is that they were not able, any sooner, to lasso that technicality

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It strikes us that some of the members of the new public utilities commission have arrived at the explaining stage mighty early in the game.

It's our conviction that schedule K will never usurp the place held by light fiction.

A TAFT UTTERANCE THAT COUNTRY NEEDED

In a New York speech Tuesday night President Taft indulged in a "bully good" political jab at his opponents, as the Colonel would say, and at the same time uttered a needed truth, which the American people ought to make the law by the overwhelming vote of popular sentiment. We quote from President Taft's speech:

"I am in favor of adopting a policy, not to attract voters but for the purpose of putting that policy on the statutes and enforcing them for the benefit of the country. I do not believe in statesmen for platform purposes, but in statesmen who will put a policy through that will do something for the country, not in those who keep saying they are going to do it."

There is more solid sense in that paragraph than a page of La Follette's talk. There is more progression in those few lines than in all the pretence and promise uttered by all the Ohio insurgents put together, since the anti-Taft movement began. To be sure, it will not suit the insurgents and disturbers, but it is real progress. What this country needs is much, very much less of disquieting agitation, less of disturbing politics and more of accomplishment. President Taft belongs to the crowd that accomplishes, but his opponents are getting space in the press because they are the talking crowd, and never doing or having done, they talk over much. It fools a few people for a little while, but not many people when sober judgment prevails.

The same crowd raved, ripped and snorted about the czar rule of Speaker Cannon, for a couple of years, when, if they really meant to accomplish, they could have overthrown him in one hour. All they needed to do was to assert the will of the majority, which they eventually did, but they were not fevered to accomplish, they only wanted something to rave about. Nobody has heard of any new manifestation of liberty since the speaker's rule was overthrown.

President Taft belongs to the accomplishing class, where men prefer to point to things accomplished, rather than dwell in telling what they are going to do. President Taft has accomplished more toward real, sane, patriotic tariff reform than all the splashers who have shouted themselves hoarse in the past ten years. If we continue to follow his lead we will preserve the needed protection to American producers, without providing an excess of duty. He has done more toward the enforcement of the Sherman law than was accomplished in four presidential terms preceding him, and is doing it without plunging the country into a business or financial panic, and keeps going right ahead, doing while the La Follette crowd keeps on talking. He has done more toward conservation, under or within the law, at the same time thinking of needed development, than the Pinchot crowd would accomplish in a half century. Taft is the president of accomplishment. While his opponents are writing fine phrases and uttering great promises, to tickle the popular ear, President Taft is doing things for public good.

Senator La Follette's chief lieutenant, Mr. Fackler, is appealing for friends to supply more gas for the La Follette balloon. Not much like the good old days of Mr. La Follette's early campaigns, when Bob was in the habit of drawing on "Uncle Ike" Stephenson's bar'l.

Two accessories to the tarring of that Kansas school teacher were given fines of $200, only," because they were model citizens, which goes to show that, out in Kansas as everywhere, goodness and badness are simply relative.

We are told that the saloons of Coshocton are conducted like tea parties, but it probably will be some time before the good women of the Coshocton W. C. T. U. begin holding their meetings in them.

There are times we can not help thinking that it might be well for the gentlemen who make a business of gathering news for the press to aim to learn the difference between news and political editorials.

Probate Judge Spencer has sent Christmas presents to the little boys and girls sent by him to the Girls' Industrial home, the Lancaslir farm and the Waddel Children's home. It is manifest that Judge Spencer isn't one of the grouches, who take delight in proclaiming that there isn't any Santa Claus. We salute you, Judge!

Judging by the reports from Cleveland, some of the oil stocks worked off on innocents up there must have been just about as valuable as the ornamental paper given to citizens of Marion county during the last ten years when they labored under the impression that they were getting shares in real gold mines for the $1,500,000 in hard cash which they unconsciously donated.

Mr. Taft should bear in mind that there is a limit to the quantity of matter the average brain can assimilate at one time, and give us longer intermission between the rounds.

THE MUSICAL CLUB AT THE BALLINGER HOME

An Evening Is Given to Music and Games.

MORRAL PEOPLE SHOPPING IN MARION

Many Come to City from the Village—James Parker and Two Children Attend a Funeral at Harpster—Notes Gathered at the Village During the Past Week.

Morral, O., Dec. 21.—[Special.]—Miss Jen Eva Ballinger entertained the Musical club at her home Friday evening. The evening was spent in music and social pastimes. Refreshments were served. Those present were: Miss Beulah Cottrell, Miss Ethel Crim, Miss Iva Bridge, Miss Gladys Guthery, Miss Hazel Schultz, Miss Hazel Cottrell, Miss Charlotte Bridge, Miss Harriet Sherwood, Miss Mary Fish, Miss Gladys Hartman, Mr. Bert Crim, Mr. Harold Schultz, Mr. Harmon Wilmuth, Mr. Ralph Miller, Mr. Myrle Conley, Mr. Herbert Brady, Mr. William Baldwin, Mr. Olin Busler, Mr. Dwight Stouffer.

C. F. Ritter was an Upper Sandusky visitor, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Retterer mover here from Harpster last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ten Eyck of Marion, visited friends here last week.

Mrs. Thomas Hedges spent last Tuesday in Forest.

Carl Ritter, of St. Louis Missouri, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Ritter last week.

Mrs. C. D. Hudson, Mrs. Charles Hoke and son, Paul, W. W. Morral, C. C. Cline, and Harry Hall were Marion visitors, Thursday.

Effie Sandridge left for her home in Virginia, last Tuesday.

Frank Young was a business visitor at Meeker, Thursday.

James Parker, son, Pearl, and daughter, Melissa, attended the funeral of Mr. Parker's brother, William Parker, of Harpster, Thursday.

W. W. Miller and son, Ralph; R. H. Heistand, R. H. Thompson, C. A. Jones, Merle Conley, Carl Lewis, Harry Cook, Fred Baker, John Brady, Arleigh Smith, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Martin and children, Hopewell and Lenole; Miss Marguerite Beck, Miss Gladys Hartman, Miss Hazel Cottrell, Miss Gladys Guthery, Miss Charlotte Bridge, Mrs. G. W. Mahaffey, Mrs. B. Wade and daughter Eva, Miss Iva Bridge, Mrs. A. Sherwood and children, Harriet and Owen; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Harsch were Marion visitors, Saturday.

Mrs. James Hindman and little child were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. McCumber, Sunday.

Miss Leota Bridge, of Marion, was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bridge, Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Myria Lowe visited friends in Marion from Friday until Sunday.

Mrs. James Parker was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Arlis Rhoads, of Marion, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Allen and children, Alice and Charles, spent a few days with Columbus relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. William Sigler and children, Eva and Elizabeth, were guests of Mrs. Sigler's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Mahaffay, Sunday.

Mrs. O. Washburn, Mrs. J. W. Jolly, Mrs. S. Strawder, Mrs. Frank Young, Mrs. S. M. Brake, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Schultz, Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Bagwill, G. W. Mahaffay, John McCarley, Leo Berry, and George Lowe, were Marion shoppers, Monday

S. M. Stouffer was an Upper Sandusky visitor, Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. William Nelson returned home, Monday evening, after a visit with their doughter, Mrs. Charles Hite, of Huron county.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cline and son, Paul; Mrs. O. T. Pierman, and Mr. and Mrs. George Lowe, were in Marion, Friday.

Mrs. A. Baldwin was the guest of Mrs. Bert Crow in Marion Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brooks and daughters, Berenice and Hazel; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Shoots and children, Owen and Vera, and Mrs. Heller were guests at the C. J. Schultz home, Sunday.

Mrs. James Parker was the guest of friends at Harpster last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Jolley, of Marion were guests Sunday of Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Jolley.

Mrs. Alice Newcomb left Sunday to visit friends and relatives in Fostoria.

Hattie Moore, of Marion, was the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Moore, Sunday.

Miss Hattie Rose, of Columbus, is visiting her sister, Mrs. John McCarley.

Miss Ruth Granlee near Marseilles was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Edward Heller, Sunday.

Mrs. O. Washburn and son, Karl spent last Saturday at Forest.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hite, of Huron county, have moved here, and will live on a farm near Brush Ridge.

Miss Elnora Waggoner, of Marion, was a guest at the Charles Bridge home, Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. Jay Garwood, of Marion, was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Lowe Sunday.

David Parker, of Harpster, visited at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Parker, a few days this week.

Miss Mayme Messenger visited friends in Marion and Agosta this week.

George Davis, of Meeker, was a business visitor here Tuesday.

Mrs. Perry Lawrence, Mrs. Sarah Taylor, Mrs. W. W. Morral, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Dennis were Marion shoppers Tuesday.

REAL ESTATE.

Ezekiel Browne to Eugene Harmon, lot in Morral, $100.

E. G. Baseler and others to D. M. Baseler, part of lot in Marion, $200.

John H. Bain and others to Jennie T. Adney, part of lot in Marion, $1,100.

Lawson H. DeLauder to The Marion Lumber company, lot in Marion, $2.000.

Lawson H. DeLauder to The Marion Lumber company, part of two lots in Marion, $3,000.

Christian Gracely to D. Smith Hanna, 142 and part acres in Montgomery township, $8,335.

Clayton D. McClung to Samuel M. Lyon, forty acres in Marion, $3,150.

Eva A. Noyes to Clarence S. Noyes, lot in Marion, one dollar.

Clarence S. Noyes to Edward S. Moon, lot in Marion, one dollar.

Mary M. Navin to Ada M. Griffin, part of lot in Marion, $1,100.

Albert Oborn, by administrator, to Cora Oborn, eighty-five acres in Richland township, $8,500.

Charles D. Reynolds to James C. Thomas, lot in Green Camp, $1,200.

Leoti Robson to Edward M. Miles, forty acres in Grand township, $300.

Samuel M. Stouffer to Sarah O. Bibler, lot in Morral, $1,150.

Margaret Seegar to Frank Dutton, about twenty-two acres in Marion township, $2,222.

Elizabeth A. Stoltz to Calvin C. Stoltz, part of two lots in Marion, $750.

The Ohio Sanatorium company, by receiver, to Charles E. Sawyer, two lots in Marion, $14,100.

Elizabeth Cooney to Charles Webb, part of two lots in Marion, one dollar.

D. R. Crissinger to Charles Hofstetter, two lots in Marion, $1,000.

AN ANNIVERSARY OF BIRTH CELEBRATED

De Ver Tonguett Is Host to Party of Friends.

Agosta, O., Dec. 21.—[Special.]—In honor of his thirteenth birthday anniversary, De Ver Tonguett entertained a small company of friends Thursday evening. The evening was spent in playing games, and refreshments were served. Those present were Helen Wilson, Ivalu Moore Clara Schaber, Goldia White, Cloyce Stout, Edwin Cleveland, Sherwood Chapman and Ralph Godfrey.

Mrs. A. W. Munson, of Kenton, is spending the week at the G. C. Young home.

Miss Vena Johnston and Miss Mae Young were guests of Mr. and Mrs C. B. Hudson, of Marion, from Friday until Sunday.

Freeman Rusier and Ralph Godfrey were Marion callers Saturday.

Mrs. Don Clements and son, Irvin, of near DeCliff, spent Tuesday at the home of E. D. Horton.

Mrs. J. D. Walker and daughter, Agnes, of Rushsylvania, have been called here by the serious illness of the former's father, William Rusler.

Mrs. John B. Fields and son, Rae, spent Wednesday in Marion.

Miss Nina Dutton called on Marion relatives Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. C. F. Benson, of Avalon, Pennsylvania, spent from Friday till Sunday with her mother, Mrs. T. J. Horton.

Misses Martha and Bell Montgomery were Marion shoppers Saturday.

C. P. Baker was a business visitor at Radnor Tuesday.

Mrs. Charles Wilson was the guest of Marion relatives Wednesday.

FREDERICK ISSLEIB UNDER PEACE BOND

On Application of E. E. Powers to Justice Charles E. Gompf.

Edward E. Powers appeared before Justice C. E. Gompf, Thursday morning, and made application for a warrant to place Frederick A. Issleib under a peace bond. Issleib was notified by telephone of the action and presented himself a few minutes later before the justice, who fixed the bond at $200.

While none of the troubles of the two men is set up in the application for a peace bond, it is generally known that Powers has been twice assaulted by Issleib. The enmity between them is the result of financial difficulties growing out of a business transaction in Canada.

Prosecutor's Brief.

Prosecuting Attorney Charles L. Justice went to Columbus, Thursday, have his brief printed in the matter of the State of Ohio against Loring J. Smith. Smith, former manager of the Ohio Milling & Elevator company, was found guilty of embezzlement by a jury in common pleas court, the circuit court reversed the lower court and the prosecutor took the case to the supreme court on error. Smith was sentenced to serve two years in the Ohio penitentiary by Judge Daniel Babst.

Insurance Company Election.

The annual meeting of the members of the Mutual Insurance Co., of Richland Township, Marion County, O., will be held at the Township hall, in Richland Township on Saturday Dec. 30, 1911, at 1 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year and transacting other business which may be brought before the meeting.

Phil. Ruehrmund,
Sec'y.
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E. B. HOSTETTER IS VICTIM OF ACCIDENT

Right Hand Is Caught in a Machine Monday.

MEMBER IS VERY PAINFULLY INJURED

The Public Schools at Richwood Will Be Closed During the Holidays. Special Postal and Railroad Accommodations for Village at Christmas Time.

Richwood, O., Dec. 19.—[Special.]—E. B. Hostetter, owner of the evaporating plant in Richwood, was painfully injured, Monday morning, while working about some machinery at the plant. His right hand was caught in the machine and was badly mangled. The injured man visited the office of Drs. T. F. and F. M. Wurtsbaugh, where he received the proper attention and where it was found that in addition to the hand being lacerated, two of the finger nails had been torn loose.

The public schools will close, Friday, December 22, for a vacation of several days, and will reopen Tuesday, January 2. In all of the grades, special Christmas programs were rendered, Friday, the teachers and pupils exchanging gifts and good wishes. Many of the rooms were appropriately decorated in the Christmas colors.

Mrs. Frank Cramer and daughter, Starling, of Indianapolis, arrived here, Monday, to spend a few weeks with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Baldwin

Perry Beem, a student in Adrian, Michigan, college, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Beem.

Mrs. M. C. Miller was the guest, Sunday, of her son, Jay W. Miller, and wife, of Marion.

Stanley Peet, a student in Ohio State university, Columbus, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Peet.

Mrs. W. H. Willis, of Broadway, was the guest, Saturday, of her sister, Miss Maude Hough.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Elzey, who moved, a few weeks ago, from north of Richwood, to Mingo, were here, Saturday, on their way home from a week's visit with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Howison, of Reynoldsburg, and with relatives in Cardington.

Mrs. Olus B. Conkright and son, William, of Columbus, have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Conkright, during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Roberts, of Leonardsburg, were the guests, Sunday, of the former's uncle, R. D. Roberts, and wife.

Relatives in Richwood have received the news of the death of Mrs. O. P. Converse, which occurred December 12 at her home in London. Her maiden name was Miss Emma C. Creamer and she was born in Richwood in 1841. The deceased was a relative of Mrs. M. W. Hill, Mrs. J. P. Marriott, L. D. Fisher and others.

Ruth, the three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Thompson, of west Ottawa street, died Saturday about noon, after a few days' illness of pneumonia. The little one had been ill nearly all of its short life and was the only child of the parents, who have the deepest sympathy of all. Funeral services were held from the late home, Monday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, Rev. George Moore, of Charleston, West Virginia, officiating. The remains were laid to rest in Claiborne cemetery.

Rev. Harvey Johnson, of Dayton, conducted services at the African Baptist church, Sunday, his sermons greatly pleasing his hearers. The church has no regular pastor.

Mrs. Roy Price and little daughter, of Newark, are visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Smith.

The greatest revival in its history is now being held in Bethlehem M. P. church, two miles south of Richwood. At the Saturday evening service thirteen persons were converted, making a total of fourteen. The church is experiencing a general awakening and the attendance is large, morning meetings having been started Tuesday. The pastor, Rev. C. B. Doty, is being assisted by Rev. B. F. McKinnon, an evangelist of Middletown.

J. S. Kagay, of the local M. P. church, represented Richwood and northern Union county at the two-days campaign for the men and religion forward movement held in Marysville, Sunday and Monday.

The Needle club was very delightfully entertained, Tuesday afternoon, by Mrs. H. C. Duke, at her home on south Franklin street. The hours were pleasantly spent by the ladies over their fancy work and in discussing their plans for Christmas. The fine lunch served by the hostess was very much enjoyed.

Mrs. Jennie Baker, of Toronto, Kansas, is the guest of Mrs. Columbia Harris, Mrs. Martha Cramer and other friends in Richwood, where she resided about thirty years ago. Mrs Baker is a sister of W. W. Woodruff, who moved from Richwood to Columbus, a few years ago.

J. L. Fish left, a few days ago, for Brawley, California, where he is visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Taylor, former Richwood residents. Mr. Fish will spend several months in Los Angeles and Pasadena, expecting to be absent until April 1.

Miss Anna Fish, of Cincinnati, is the guest of her brother, Chancey Fish, and wife, and will spend a month with relatives in and near Richwood.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Redfield, who have been employed on a western vaudeville circuit during the past several months, have been the guests of Mrs. Redfield's mother, Mrs. Annabelle Wells, during the past few days.

Drs. F. F. and F. M. Wurtsbaugh performed a successful operation, a few days ago, on Douglass DeWitt, removing a growth from the back of his head. Mr. DeWitt is getting along nicely.

Postmaster C. H. Huffman will open the postoffice, Sunday, from 11 o'clock a. m. to 12:30 p. m., and from 4:30 to 5:30 p. m., to accommodate the people during the Christmas rush. Mail will be carried, Sunday, on trains Nos. 15 and 16, something very unusual for Richwood.

Miss Violet Moffett, of Findlay, is visiting her cousin, Miss Cuba Moffett.

The board of directors of the Richwood Tri-County Fair association will hold a business meeting in the mayor's office in the city building, Saturday afternoon, January 6, at which time they will reorganize and discuss plans for the coming year.

The large new safe and the fixtures for the new postoffice in the Sanders building are being placed in the room, this week. While the residents of the south end of the village regret to see the postoffic moved from its present location, the new location is considered very good.

Mrs. Carl Johnson, of Cleveland, has been the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Cameron, during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mitchell, who resided on a farm southwest of Richwood, have moved to Galion, where the former is employed on the Erie railroad.

A son was born, Saturday, to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Blue, who reside just west of Richwood.

"The Talk of the Town," the home talent play given by the Richwood High school for the benefit of the Athletic association, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, was a success from every standpoint. The attendance was good and the play pleased all. The young people realized a nice sum for the school treasury. The play was staged by Miss Lulu Mae Wilcox.

The W. C. T. U. held an interesting and well-attended meeting, Tuesday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. D. M. Tanner, of east Bomford street. A nice program was rendered and considerable business was transacted.

MEEKER NEWS NOTES OF PAST FEW DAYS

People Who Visit the Village and in Vicinity.

Meeker, O., Dec. 21.—[Special.]—Loy Baker, of Marion was a business visitor here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Pfeiffer, Jr., and daughter, Esta, were in Marion, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Kinsler are the parents of a daughter, born recently.

Miss Cecile Sprague suent a few days in Marion with her sister, Mrs. Merle Tonguet.

Little Donna Mae Mason is recovering from a seige of the whooping-cough.

Mrs. Rena Thomassen, of LaRue was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ferris Day for a couple of days.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McIntire spent, Thursday in Marion as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Truman Lewis.

Mrs. Nettie Pfeiffer and Miss Lucy Carpenter, were shoppers in Marion, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Cookston moved into their new home last week.

Miss Zelda Briggs is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Clarence Davis, of Marion.

Mrs. John Dugan, who was called to her home in Springfield by the serious illness of her husband, reports his condition as improving.

Mrs. Mabel Forry and children, Josephine and Rudolph, visited at the Cookston home Monday.

Mrs. Ferris Day spent Wednesday and Thursday of this week with friends in Marion.

Mr. and Mrs. John Webb were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Abner Miller and other friends in Marion this week.

Miss Margery Cheney visited friends in town Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Myrtle Alexander is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Frank Peters, of Marion.

Mrs. Howard Gray, of Byhalia, and Mrs. Alice Clayton, of Marion, spent Friday and Saturday of last week with their sister, Mrs. Thomas McCreery.

Anson Parrish was a business visitor in Marion, Thursday.

E. J. Ford, of LaRue, was a Meeker guest over Sunday.

Mrs. James McIntire was very seriously ill this week.

Miss Jane Hatfield is the guest of friends in Mansfield.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS RUSH AT POSTOFFICE

Mails Are Heavy with Christmas Remembrances.

The annual Christmas rush is on at the postoffice and the entire force of government clerks is working like Trojans night and day as a result of the heavy mails. The carriers have been overburdened for several days, but the greatest amount of work is not expected until Saturday.

Delayed Christmas paskages will fairly clog the mails all of next week, if the holiday mails are anything like they were last year.

Coldslaw, served in green pepper shells, is a suggestion for a dainty luncheon addition.

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THE BONNER WILL IS BONE OF CONTENTION

Lawyers Wrangle in Common Pleas Court.

JUDGE W. E. SCOFIELD OCCUPIES THE BENCH

Receiver Ordered To Sell Property of Milling and Elevator Company at Private Sale—Is Directed To Adjust Claims Against the Company—Some Court Notes.

A will drawn by Rev. J. A. Sutton was the bone of contention between half a dozen or more lawyers Monday before Judge W. E. Scofield, in the court of common pleas today The will was that of Mrs. Mary J. Bonner, who died at her home at LaRue, February 5, 1910, and left an estate valued at about $20,000. One of the five daughters by her first marriage did not like the way the property was distributed by the will and brought a suit in partition through Attorneys Leuthold, McCarron & Leuthold, of Bucyrus. She named Rev. J. A. Sutton and the other heirs as defendants. Attorneys representing the defendants argued that a suit in partition could not hold because the decedent had disposed of the property by will. The will, which is ambiguous in many details, was read section by section by the lawyers, who appeared to have a great deal of fun at Rev. Mr. Sutton's expense.

One lawyer, Attorney Steickle, of Kenton, representing Esta Corrothers, a daughter, said that Attorney D. R. Crissinger, representing Margaret Metzger, another daughter, had given the most lucid explanation of the will that he had yet heard. "But," said the lawyer, "Mr. Crissinger evidently has not read the will recently or he would have a different explanation now."

After much wrangling, it appeared that all of the lawyers representing the defendants were fully agreed that if the heirs could not agree, the property could not be partitioned, but that it would have to be sold under the directions of the court Attorneys Mouser & Moloney were also in the cause, as counsel for R R. Bonner, widower of the decedent.

Judge Scofield reserved his decision.

In the suit of the Marion Savings Bank company against the Ohio Milling & Elevator company, the receiver has been ordered to sell at private sale the personal property and the remainder at public auction. The receiver is authorized to adjust all claims as he sees fit.

In the suit of John W. Clark, administrator, against the Chicago & Erie Railroad company, a demurrer to the petition has been overruled, and the plaintiff is given leave to file an answer by January 22.

The demurrer of the defendants to the petition in the suit of Lizzie Pine, administratrix, against John D. Owens & Son, was sustained by Judge W. E. Scofield, Monday, and the plaintiff was given leave to file an amended petition by January 22.

In the suit of Ethel May Hoy, by her next best friend, against the Big Four Railroad company, Judge Scofield overruled a motion for a new trial, Monday. The plaintiff got judgment for $1,000.

The Harderly Manufacturing company has begun a civil action in the court of common pleas against A. F. Brandenberry to recover the sum of $172.

In the divorce proceeding of Mrs. Minnie Humeston against John A. Humeston, the plaintiff has been granted a divorce and the custody of the only child born of the union. The parties to the suit were married, July 14, 190-, and the divorce was granted on grounds of gross neglect of duty and failure to provide.

Henry Zimmer has been granted a divorce from Relda Zimmer on charges of various violations of the marital contract. The parties to the suit were married, May 25, 1904, and no children were born of the union.

The following cases were assigned by Judge Scofield, Saturday afternoon:

Tuesday, January 2, State of Ohio against Armstrong.

Thursday, January 4, State of Ohio, on complaint of Florence Jackson, against James Fields, and Garrison agaist the National Novelty company

Friday, January 5, State of Ohio against Berry.

The divorce case of Henry Elias Sabback, a Greek against his American wife, Agnes, has been continued until Saturday, December 30, at the request of the defendant's attorney, L. E. Myers. Several witnesses were examined before Judge W. E. Scofield, Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Sabback did not appear, but her attorney announced she would be present December 30.

The divorce action of Emma L. Sons against John W. Sons was dismissed by Judge W. E Scofield, Saturday A reconciliation has been effected between plaintiff and defendant

Of all ministers soon after having been married by one.

MAKES APPLICATION TO SELL MANY CLAIMS

Receiver John E. Waddell Submits a Statement.

John E. Waddell, receiver for the Ohio Sanatorium Co., Monday afternoon, through Attorneys Crissinger & Guthery, made application in the common pleas court to sell the corporation's so-called desperate claims, including bills receivable, etc., all of which amounts to $5,469.72.

The receiver also states that he now has on hand $17,640.13, which he asks the court to distribute according to the directions of the court.

The final account of former Receiver C. E. Sawyer, who was succeeded by Mr. Waddell, shows receipts of $8,388.13 and disbursements of the same amount. The receipts now in the hands of Receiver Waddell include $16,000, the selling price of the sanatorium property.

THE CATHOLIC LADIES OF COLUMBIA MEET

Officers Are Elected for the Coming Year.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Catholic Ladies of Columbia, Sunday, at the St. Mary's school building, the following officers were reelected for the year:

Mrs. John W. Navin, president; Mrs. Dennis O'Keeffe, vice president; Mrs. John M. Sweeney, financial secretary; Mrs Sarah W Cusic, recording secretary; Miss Agnes Hannegan, treasurer; Mrs. G. W. Artz, monitor.

Arrangements were made to give a miscellaneous shower in the near future for Mrs. Edward R. Smith, formerly Miss Edna Fabian, a recent bride.

The next meeting will be held the third Sunday in January.

J. J. RAMAGE DIES IN DELAWARE COUNTY

Is Father of Mrs. N. F. Tilton, of This City.

A week to the day after the funeral of his wife, J. J. Ramage, former county auditor of Delaware county and the father of Mrs N. F. Tilton, of this city, died from the infirmities of age and kidney disease at his home in Thompson township, Delaware county, Saturday morning about 10 o'clock.

Mr. Ramage was eighty years of age He was taken ill the day following the death of his wife and was unable to attend the funeral a week ago last Saturday. He was a veteran of the civil war. He served as auditor of Delaware county from 1887 to 1893.

LOCAL POSTOFFICE STATION IS OPENED

Much Business Is Done the Day of Opening.

The need of a station of the local postoffice in west Marion was fully demonstrated over Saturday and Sunday when stamps were sold at the station amounting in the total to $19. The station was opened Saturday morning in the Gem pharmacy at the corner of west Center street and Olney avenue. No money orders were sold, however, as the blanks printed especially for the station have not yet reached here. It is expected that they will be here within a few days at least. A very large amount of mail was received at the station including many Christmas pacgages.

YOUNG PEOPLE ARE JOINED IN MARRIAGE

Miss Gertrude Kuhn and Mr. Roy L. McCollister.

Miss Gertrude Kuhn and Mr. Roy Lester McCollister were united in marriage in Cleveland Sunday by Rev. Father Kelly. Mrs. McCollister has many friends in Marion. She came here about two years ago from her home in Tiffin, and has been employed in the altering department of Frank Brothers & Company's store. Mr. McCollister has been employed as a clerk at H. S. Scribner's grocery and is quite well known.

Mr. and Mrs. McCollister will make their home in Cleveland as he expects to travel out of that city for a Cleveland firm.

CARDINGTON BANK BUYS SKATING RINK

Sequel to a Suit Brought Several Months Ago.

The Cardington Citizens' bank, of Cardington, bid in the Royal skating rink for $8,000 at sheriff's sale, Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock. It was appraised at that figure. J. A. Reed was the auctioneer.

The sale of the rink is a sequel to a suit brought several months ago in the local court of common pleas by the Cardington Citizens' bank against Jesse L. Smucker, the Royal Skating Rink company, and W. B. Denman. The bank foreclosed on promissory notes amounting to $7,449.10.

MYSTERIOUS DEATH OF PERDUE STUDENT

Mrs. W. W. Sanders Attends Funeral of Nephew.

Mrs. W. W. Sanders, of south State street, arrived home last Monday night from Lafayette, Indiana, where she attended the funeral of her nephew, John Jacoby, twenty-two years old, a student of Perdue university. Mr. Jacoby is supposed to have met death by the accidental discharge of a gun in his room, although just the exact nature of his death is a mystery

The funeral services were held Sunday.

FINAL CROP REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT

Size of the Corn Crop of Country in Year 1911.

PLENTY OF WINTER WHEAT IN THE GROUND

The Value of the Crop of Last Year Amounts to $379,151,000—The Production of Oats in 1911 Is Heavy and Value Runs Well Up in the Millions.

Washington, Dec. 18.—According to the final crop report issued by the department of agriculture, the number of acres sown corn in 1911 was 105,825,000 with a total value of $1,565,258,000. The 1910 corn crop was 2,886,260,000 bushel, farm value $1,384,817,000.

In 1911, 29,162,000 acres were sown in winter wheat, producing 430,665,000 bushel with a farm value $379,151,000. The 1910 winter wheat crop was 434,142,000 bushel; farm value $382,381,000.

Spring wheat was sown on 20,381,000 acres in 1911; producing a crop of 190,682,000 bushel; value on the farm at $163,912,000.

The 1910 spring wheat crop was 200,979,000 bushel; farm value $178,733,000.

The total spring and winter wheat crop for 1911, produced on 49,543,000 acres was 621,338,000 bushel, valued at $543,063,000. In 1910 the total spring and winter wheat crop was 635,121,000, value $561,051,000.

The 1911 oat crop, produced on 37,763,000 acres was 922,298,000 bushel, valued on the farm at $414,663,000. Production in 1910, 1,180,513,000 bushel, value on farm $406,406,000

In 1911, 43,017,000 acres were sown to hay, producing 47,444,000 tons with a farm value of $694,570,000 The 1910 hay crop was $60,978,000 tons, valued at $747,769,000.

The 1911 tobacco crop grown on 1,012,800 acres, was 905,109,000 pounds valued at the farm at $85,210,000 The 1910 crop was 1,103,415,000 pounds; value $102,142,000.

CAMPBELL NATIONAL BANK GETS MONEY

Awarded $20,000 of the State Funds Saturday.

Practical demonstration of the utility of the new law requiring all taxes due to the state to be paid directly to the state treasurer was made in Columbus, Saturday, when the state board of deposits awarded $840,000 to various banks. Of the sixteen banks that received this large amount of money the Campbell National bank, of La Rue, got $20,000. Its bid was 3 40 per cent.

The banks favored were the bidders at the last call for bids for state funds. At that time the surplus funds went only to such banks as bid 3 50 per cent

SPINAL MENINGITIS IS CAUSE OF DEATH

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ford Lose a Little One.

Death has visited the Walter Ford home on Ballentine avenue twice in the past week and removed from the family circle two little boys. Walter, aged two years, died Tuesday of infantile paralysis and Ellas Andrew, aged three years, nine months and one day, died of spinal meningitis Sunday morning at 5 o'clock.

The funeral was held Monday afternoon and was conducted from the home by Rev. W. W. Grimes. The remains were buried in the Marion cemetery.

ANNUAL OBSERVANCE OF MARION HEBREWS

Services at the Masonic Temple Sunday Morning.

The annual observance by Marion Hebrews of Channukah, the Feast of Lights, a holiday in commemoration of the victories of Judah Maccabee over the Syrian king, Antiochus Epiphanes, was held with special services in the hall of the Congregation of Israel in the Masonic temple, Sunday morning

Henry Strelitz conducted the services, which consisted of special music, prayers and an exercise by the children.

MRS. AMANDA STOUP DIES NEAR RICHWOOD

Death Is the Result of a Long Illness.

The remains of Mrs. Amanda M. Stoup, who died of pulmonary hemorrhages at her home near Richwood, Sunday morning at 7 o'clock, arrived here Monday noon at 11:30 o'clock and were taken to the Walton home at No. 902 Davids street. The funeral was held Wednesday.

The deceased was seventy-three years of age and is survived by several children

A New Schedule.

A new time schedule for the C., M. & B. electric railway is being arranged and will be placed in effect January 2. Acording to the present indications there will be but a few changes. The car leaving here for Bucyrus at 12 o'clock noon, will leave at 12:05 on the new schedule. The car now leaving here at 3 o'clock in the evening will lay over an hour here and will leave at 9 o'clock.

The peekaboo waist has resigned in favor of the porous plaster.

STARR'S

Special Offering of Quality Slippers for Every Member of the Family. Biggest Stock in All Marion to Select From.

Women's Felt Slippers

Every desirable style, $1.25, $1.00, 90c, 50c

Children's Felt Slippers

Felt Soles and Leather Soles 45c, 50c, 75c and 85c

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The much appreciated gift—useful every day, every year. Faust, Rome, Eversell---opera styles---black, red and tan

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The Young Folks Love & Have Need for Slippers.

For sister, mother, father or brother, they are acceptable to all.

Starr Shoe Store.

The Busy Slipper Store.

WATER CONNECTIONS COMPLETED MONDAY

Why Water Service Is Not Good Monday Morning.

In order to make the connections for supplying the Erie transfer and ice-house with water for proper fire protection, it was necessary to cut into one of the big mains, Sunday night, and Marion's water supply was temporarily cut off. The connections were made during the night and the patrons were inconvenienced as little as possible. Many patrons were able to get enough water to supply their needs. The standpipe having been filled before the work was begun. By 9 o'clock Monday morning, the work had been completed. Many Monday morning feared that they would be unable to secure water during day, and many inquiries were made at the local office

JOINED IN MARRIAGE AT HOME OF BRIDE

Miss Laurel L. Sifritt and Mr. Edward G. Long.

La Rue, O., Dec. 18.—[Special.]—Miss Laurel L. Sifritt and Mr. Edward G. Long were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sifritt, six miles west of Green Camp, Sunday at noon. Rev. M. C. Wisely, of La Rue, performed the ceremony in the presence of a small company of friends.

The young people will make their future home at La Rue, where the groom is employed as a clerk.

FROST CARNIVAL.

A Charming Christmas Masquerade For the Children.

Nothing would be more delightful to a family of little people under twelve years of age than a series of paper costumes. Some prefer cambric as even better for service. Collars of all kinds may be made of either fabric.

For Christmas nothing could be better than some costume of white canton flannel made with the flannel side out to represent Jack Frost and his delightful and unique winter family, among whom we find the wee snowball man, a tiny lad dressed in white cotton flannel, with snowballs made of cotton wool sewed all over his clothes and a huge one fastened upon the top of his white skullcap.

Sleighbells is a little girl dressed in the same fabric, with tiny silver bells bordering the skirt of her dress, also fastened about her wrists and along the outer seams of her sleeves and around the rim of her jaunty snow white flannel hat.

Queen Frostie wears icicles for trimmings. This trimming is made of cotton batting, sewed on quite firmly upon the upper edge, while from the lower the cotton is pulled down in the shape of icicles, then heavily sprinkled with frost powder (powdered isinglass). She wears a silver crown cut from silver paper pasted upon bristol board.

Snowflake's dress is delicately covered with silver fringe, and Snowbird adds a pair of wings to her snow white costume. Toboggan and Skater and Coaster and Snow Man are represented by lads dressed all in white, and it would not happen amiss if good old Santa Claus, with Mrs. Claus and the little Claus children, came in quite unexpectedly, all covered with snow and frost, just from the "truly north pole."

Silver, gold and iridescent fringes and powders such as decorators use so effectively in dressing Christmas trees give to all these costumes their specially frosty appearance.

Of course the little frost people like to dance in very lively fashion, and, strange as it may seem, they must work vigorously to keep from melting.

THE SNOW PARTY.

A Gala Event For Christmas Afternoon or Evening.

If in doubt how to entertain the little folks Christmas afternoon and evening let them have a snow party.

Cut bells from cardboard, either red to be written on with white, or green with red ink, on which write the following:

Come and see
Our Christmas tree
Saturday next
At half past three.

Snow party from half after three until six At the home of Polly Weeks.

Prepare the tree by keeping to a white color scheme entirely—cotton sprinkled with artificial diamond dust, a white bird's nest filled with sugar almonds, one for each guest, on the branches. Glittering icicles of white rock candy hung from the branches and with white candy box snowballs make a very beautiful tree.

This is the song for the children to sing around the tree, all hands joined:

O dainty Christmas tree,
You came from woodlands deep,
Where winds were blowing chill
And flowers were asleep!
Now on your branches wide
The strangest fruit you bear,
With pretty toys for girls and boys,
For children everywhere.

CHORUS.

Christmas tree, Christmas tree,
Shining bright and fair,
The dearest tree in all the world
To children everywhere!

The snowball candy boxes are given out and the children lined up, throwing the balls until each girl gets one containing a wee doll and each boy one with a top.

LORD OF MISRULE.

A Merry Christmas Gambol For Nimble Folk.

To play this game appoint some lively person as master of the revels, using the old Yuletide phrase, lord of misrule. Give this person a gilt wand to which a bunch of holly is tied with a bow of scarlet ribbon or tissue paper.

As soon as the lord of misrule has been so invested all his followers are obliged to exactly copy all that he says and does. If he speaks his words must be repeated correctly. If he makes a gesture the rest of the company must make the same one, using the same hand or foot.

A clever leader will give his followers a merry dance around the room, climbing over sofas, crawling under tables, pirouetting, gesticulating; whatever he does the others are obliged to keep up with until every one is out of breath with exertion and laughter.

JACK-IN-THE-BOX.

He Makes a Hit as Santa Claus' Assistant.

At a Christmas party for children last year they had a big box on a platform covered with red cambric to which sprays of holly were pinned. At just the right moment Santa Claus appeared, saying he had an assistant this year who was so popular he just had to keep him shut up. He said all children loved him so that he was sure he would be recognized at once. Then he unhooked the box, and "Jack" leaped out with a spring, his arms full of packages. "Jack" was pushed down into the box with a great deal of difficulty, and Santa told him to look for more presents and hooked the box, in a moment unhooking, when "Jack" sprang up with more parcels. This act was repeated several times, and the children went wild with glee.

Wide revers continue in coat fashions.

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WE HAVE THE "EDGE" ON THE HARDWARE BUSINESS, BECAUSE WE "HANDLE" THE MOST RELIABLE BRANDS AND KEEP ON HAND A FULL STOCK.

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The first move toward success in any business is to have sufficient cash on hand to meet all obligations.

When a young man or woman deposits the first dollar toward a savings account, the first move toward success has been taken. It is natural you should start with a small amount, but you will be surprised how quickly systematic savings will pile up a neat sum for you. Try it.

The Citizens Building & Loan Co.

111½ West Center St., Over Well's Fargo Express Co.

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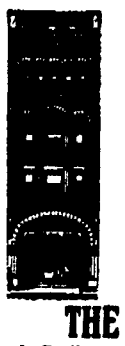

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If you think well of it, we shall be pleased to add your name to our growing list of depositors.

THE MARION NATIONAL BANK

J. E. Waddell, President C. N. Phillips, Cashier

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriage licenses have been issued to Miss Laurel L. Sifritt, of Green Camp township, and Edward G. Long, of La Rue; Miss Gertrude Mabel Kuhn and Roy Lester McCollister, both of this city, and Miss Nancy Lillian Lewis, of this city, and Charles David Hayden, of Centerburg.

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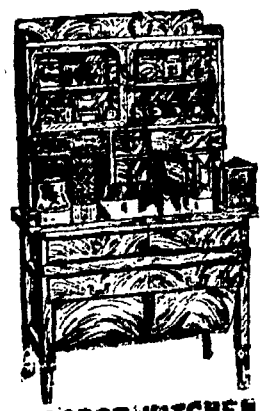

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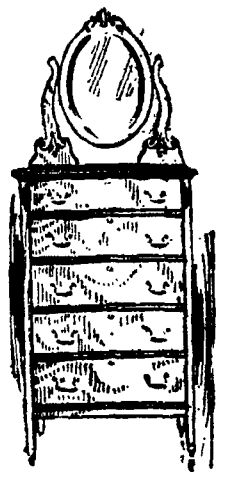

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Others range in price from

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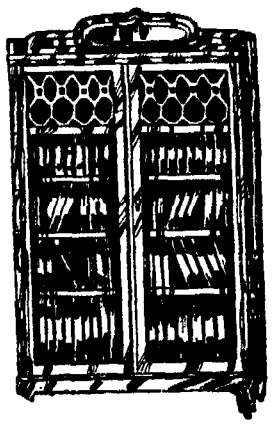

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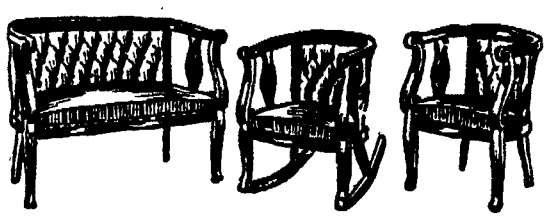

The frames are beautifully designed and massive and substantial in construction. Note the graceful lines and the air of comfort and repose which it suggests. The finish is a dark rich mahogany with a fine polish and the upholstering is genuine leather over the best steel springs and will wear for years and look well to the last. Thirty other styles of three-piece suits in leather and silk plush from

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MARION FRIENDS ARE SHOCKED BY NEWS

Unfortunate Young Women Are Well Known in Marion.

The Star's announcement of the killing of Miss Katherine Scott and Miss Pearl Schalter at a grade crossing in Bucyrus by a Pennsylvania train, Sunday evening, came as a great shock to relatives and a wide circle of friends of the young women in this city.

Miss Scott had a number of relatives in this city and at Caledonia, and with Miss Schalter visited here a few weeks ago at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Weidemann of Franklin street. The unfortunate young women had anticipated teaching in this county, but changed their minds and secured schools in Crawford county. Miss Scott had a brother killed by the Pennsylvania a few years ago.

Y. W. C. A. WORKERS ARE PLANNING FOR HOME

Scheme To Rent Quarters for a Couple of Years.

THE PROBABLE COST OF MAINTENANCE

Meeting Is Held at the Home of Mrs. Harvey Wilson, Monday Evening. Proposition To Be Placed Before the Members of Clubs and Others in the City.

A Young Women's Christian association for Marion is almost an assured fact. A large number of the conservative women of the city including members of the clubs and different societies, are busy at work making arrangements to put the matter before the women of Marion in general to see whether the proposition will be received favorably.

A committee meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Harvey Wilson, of south Main street, Monday evening. All the members of the various committees were present and considerable business was taken up and plans were made for looking up a location. The probable cost of maintaining such an institution for the first two years was also talked over, and it was decided to rent a building for that length of time. At the end of the two years, if it is found that the women and girls of Marion are taking an interest in the work a permanent location could be purchased and a fine Y. W. C. A. building erected.

During the first two weeks of January the proposition will be placed before all the clubs, both federated and social, and all the fraternal and church societies in the city, and every other organization in which women are interested, to see whether they will take up the proposition and assist in raising a fund suffcient to start and carry on an association in Marion.

The committee has a number of locations in view, among them being the J. F. McNeal property on west Center street and the D. McWilliams' property on east Center street. A ways-and-means committee was appointed to look after the renting of a suitable building and any other matters pertaining to a location. This committee is composed of members of the different clubs and societies.

A large number of the women of the city have already become interested in the matter, as they realize that a city the size of Marion is sadly in need of a place in which the women and girls can meet and enjoy the privileges of a reading-room and gymnasium. The Christian influence of a Y. W. C. A. is needed not only for the factory girls, shop girls and clerks and all working girls and women, but also for those who have more leisure time.

No definite time was set for the next meeting, but a called meeting of the committees will be held soon after the holidays.

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Men—S. A. Appleman, John Bangerd, Earl Brady, I. J. Beck, John BeBngert, Jess Davis, Alfred Everly, Buoni Gulielmo, Harold K. Golden, Eugene B. Glenn, Thad Gettys, J. S. Haycock, Lou Hunt, Alonzo Hunt, O. W. M. Kelly, W. C. Krause, Mr. Kerr, care Gas Works, Charles Knatz, Wm. McCurdy, J. B. McBurney, Antonio Trionfo, Harry Shaw, Robert Sims, R. H. Smith.

Women—Mrs. W. A. Bunford, Mrs. Fred Coffey, Mrs. Daisy Crane, Ruth Emery, Mrs. J. W. Fish, Mrs. W. C. Fray, Mrs. M. Haishy, Mrs. Benton Hile, Mary Hinamon, Grace Klinefelter, Mrs. D. W. Lody, Mrs. Laura McNab, M. Elizabeth J. Miller, Mrs. Eliza O'Day, Stella Robinson, Mrs. Lila Roland, Mrs. E. Troutman, Mrs. Laura Thompson, Emma Vought, Gertrude Westbrook, Mrs. J. T. Wamosa, Mrs. Charles Walker, Mrs. C. M. Young, Clyde Yanington.

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JOINT INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS SOON

G. A. R. Post and Relief Corps To Hold a Big Meeting—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reed Lose Their Infant Daughter—Are Former Residents of Marion—Richwood Notes.

Richwood, O., Dec. 18.—[Special.]—A. W. Robinson and family attended the funeral, Saturday afternoon, of the former's brother, the late Thomas L. Robinson, which was held from the late home of the deceased, near Pharisburg. Mr. Robinson was fifty-three years old and all of his life was spent in Union county, where he was born. He suffered a sun stroke last July and never recovered from its effects. He leaves a widow, two sons, Walter and Francis Robinson, and the following brothers and sisters: A. W. Robinson and Mrs. Georgia Curry, of Richwood; Mrs. W. L. Curry, of Columbus; J. E. Robinson, of Marysville; Mrs. Myrtle Barto and Henry M. Robinson, of Plain City.

Mrs Geoge Jolley has been dangerously ill, during the past several days, at her home northwest of Richwood.

Charles Somerville, of Plymouth, West Virginia, has been the guest of his sister, Mrs. C. B. Zuspan, of Richwood, and Mrs. J. C. Cheney, of Prospect, during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Aspinall, of West Middleburg, have been the guests of J. E. Howe and family and Mr. and Mrs. George R. Gum, during the past week.

Mr and Mrs. Frank L. Adams have been in Maryland, during the past week looking for a location.

Mrs. Harrison Sloop and daughter, Mrs Clinton Sloop, were the guests, Thursday, of friends in Delaware

Mrs Walter Florence and little son, of Plain City, have been the guests of the former's mother, Mrs. P E. Barnes, during the past week

Dr T F. Wurtsbaugh is gradually recovering from a severe attack of pneumonia

P E. Barnes was a business visitor in Columbus, Thursday.

Fred Moyer is seriously all, at his home on east Bomford street.

The Victorian Serenaders gave a very pleasant entertainment in the opera-house, Thursday evening, this being the second number of this year's lecture course.

The ladies of the Baptist church held a Christmas market and bazaar Saturday, realizing a nice sum for their treasury.

Mrs J. C. Irwin, of DeGraff, was the guest, Wednesday and Thursday, of Mrs. Verna Campbell, on her way home from a few days' visit in Dayton.

Mrs Don McComb and little son, J Edward, of Toledo, have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edward McComb and of Evan T. Jones and family, during the past week.

Ernest Stover, a student in the Adrian, Michigan, college, arrived here, Thursday night, to spend the holidays with his parents, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Stover.

Livingston Post, G. A. R., and Livingston Relief corps will hold a joint installation of officers in the G. A. R. hall, in January. The exercises will be public.

Master Ross Campbell has been seriously ill, during the past week.

Silas Hedges, of Shelby, Michigan, has been the guest of Mrs. Eli Sloop and family, Mrs. Sarah Sparks and family and other relatives here, during the past week

L P Albright, of Columbus, was the guest of his wife's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Horn, Saturday.

Isaac Grahom left, Friday, for Wayland, Michigan, where he will spend several weeks with Mr. and Mrs Edwin Collier, who formerly resided in Richwood.

Edwin Kinney, who is taking a course in pharmacy in the Ohio Northern university at Ada, arrived here, Friday, to spend the holidays

Mrs. J F. Rapp is employed as an extra clerk at the postoffice, during the holiday rush.

Mrs. Richard Cline and son, Ernest, of Radnor, were the guests, Saturday, of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Roberts.

Master Lowell Miller has been seriously ill at his home on west Bomford street during the past week.

At the annual meeting of the county committee of the Y. M. C. A held in Milford Center, last week, C E. Kagay, of Richwood, was elected vice chairman of the committee, J. C. White was elected county secretary for the ensuing year. The reports read at the meeting show that there are six associations in Union county, with 160 members. There are ten Bible classes, all doing good work. The boys' convention this winter will be held at Milford Center and the spring convention will be held at Richwood. The Richwood group is doing good work at present.

Mr and Mrs. Sherman Kelsey were called here, Saturday from New Dover, by the dangerous illness of the latter's brother, Fred Moyer, who is suffering of tubeculosis.

Mrs. A. R. Klipstine was hostess to the Young Married People's Embroidery club, Friday afternoon, at her new home on north Clinton street. The ladies spent the hours very pleasantly over their fancy work, exchanging ideas for Christmas gifts.

An infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reed, of Magnetic Springs, was buried, Friday. The child was three months old and had been ill since birth. The immediate cause of its death was flux, of which it had suffered for several days. Funeral services were held from the late home Friday afternoon, Rev J. M. Alford officiating, and the remains were intered in the cemetery at Richwood. Mr. and Mrs. Reed moved to Magnetic Springs from Marion, where they are well known.

MORE FIRE-ESCAPES FOR CHILDREN'S HOME

Institution Visited by the County Commissioners.

THE OFFICIALS WILL NOT TAKE CHANCES

The Additional Fire-Escapes May Not Be Badly Needed, but They Are Ordered by Building Inspector. Matter of Special Training for Children in the Home.

Two additional fire-escapes ordered by the state for the Waddel Children's home and never erected, as was recently pointed out by the members of the board of county visitors in their annual report, may be contracted for immediately by the county commissioners following their visit to that institution, Tuesday.

Commissioners Henry Seiter, J. K. Leeper and A. H. Trout went to the home, Tuesday morning, and were the guests of Superintendent and Mrs. Hurr for dinner. Besides looking into the fire-escape proposition, the commissioners also considered the recommendation of the board of county visitors with reference to establishing manual training for boys and domestic science for the girls at the institution.

Something will be done about the fire-escapes, although it is not thought that the many little inmates are in great danger as a result of the condition found by the board of visitors The commissioners, while they believe the children to be perfectly safe, will take no chances and will carry out the orders of the state building-and-factory inspector, it was said Tuesday.

Since the publication of the report of the board of county visitors, considerable pressure has been brought to bear for the establishment of manual training and domestic science departments in order to fit the boys and girls for lives of usefulness. The commissioners are inclined to look favorably upon this innovation the children's home school, but no action probably will be taken by them at this time.

CHRISTMAS BASKETS FOR POOR OF THE CITY

The Salvation Army Makes an Appeal.

CAPTAIN MACCOLLUM BUSY IN HER WORK

Finds Many Unfortunate Little Children Who Would Appreciate Clothing and Eatables for Christmas. The Cast-Off Clothing in Some Homes Would Be Welcome.

The Salvation Army, which sends out Christmas baskets every year to the city's poor, is in need of provisions.

Captain MacCollum made another appeal for aid Tuesday. "Please announce in your paper," she asked, "that the Christmas effort of the Salvation army is progressing nicely but we are in need of provisions, such as fruit, jelly, vegetables, etc., to make enough to meet our needs.

"We would appreciate it greatly if our friends whom we may not be able to see personally, would send their donations to the army at No. 135½ south Main street, or telephone L-1364, and we will have some one call at your home for the same."

It is declared by Salvation army workers that many Marion people would give freely if reminded that there are many poor unfortunate little children scantly attired and often hungry. Old clothing especially clothing for children, is especially welcome.

In many homes there is much clothing that has been outgrown by the children and allowed to be eaten up by moths that would come as a mighty cheering Christmas presents to many unfortunate children, army workers say.

Shoes are also much needed by the Salvation army, the officers of which believe that Marionites will respond liberally to their appeal for Christmas help.

Last year the army had a tree with presents hanging from it in its south Main street hall and a real Santa Claus, and this year there will be another tree with a real Santa and various Christmas exercises.

$15,000 Fire Loss.

Alliance, O., Dec. 19.—The Gem Clay Forming company at Sebring was destroyed by fire early today. The loss will reach $15,000. The plant employed seventy-five men and fifty girls. It will be rebuilt.

THE COURT SUSPENDS SENTENCE OF BERRY

A Happy Moment in Court of Common Pleas Tuesday.

WIFE OF PRISONER PLEADS FOR HUSBAND

Prosecutor Recommends a Suspension of Sentence—Birth of Child Is Means of Reconciliation of Mother and Father—Some Notes from the Common Pleas Court.

"And a little child shall lead them."

It was a tiny babe that brought an estranged couple together behind the gloomy walls of the county jail and prompted Judge W. E. Scofield to suspend a penitentiary sentence imposed on the young father, Homer Berry, when he was arraigned before the court for sentence, Tuesday afternoon.

Berry was arrested a number of weeks ago and arraigned in the court of Justice Charles E. Gompf on a charge of failing to provide for his wife, who was then soon to become a mother. Berry was held to the grand jury and, in default of bond, sent to jail. The grand jury indicted him. Since then the mother has given birth to a child. Hearing the news, the father despatched an emissary to his wife and asked her to forgive him. He at the same time made a request to see the babe.

As soon as the mother, small, nice-appearing and sweet-faced, was able, she bundled up the little one and went to the jail. There a reconciliation was effected When Sheriff John Stark appeared on the scene a little later he found the prisoner holding the infant in his arms, talking baby fashion to it, with the little mother standing near and smiling proudly—yes, happily. Then she went to Prosecuting Attorney Charles L. Justice to intercede for her husband. The prosecutor was moved by the wife's appeal, for he told her that if Berry would plead guilty and receive a sentence to the Ohio penitentiary he would recommend to the judge that the sentence be suspended.

And that is why the court suspended the sentence when he accepted his plea of guilty Tuesday. There were few in the court-room at the time, but the spirit of the gladsome Yuletide season was felt by judge, prosecutor and the few spectators with a tingling sensation that sent the blood bounding through their veins for joy.

Berry is a laborer and before his arrest was employed by Contractors Brady & O'Connell.

In the suit of Carl W. Sawyer and others against the Ohio Sanatorium company, the final account of former Receiver C. E. Sawyer was examined and approved by Judge W. E Scofield, Tuesday. Dr. Sawyer was released from further bond. The report of John E Waddell, who succeeded Dr. Sawyer as receiver, was also examined, approved and confirmed by the court. Mr. Waddell was allowed $400 and the legal firm of Crissinger & Guthery $200 as compensation. The court also ordered the desperate claims, amounting to $5,469.72 sold after ten day's notice of sale

In the suit of Kent P. Johnson against Charles D. Melvin and others. Judge W. E. Scofield has found for May Whipps on her answer and cross-petition, in which she sets up that in 1904 she secured a divorce and $500 alimony from John Melvin, one of the heirs. From the sale of the property involved, by the ruling of Judge Daniel Babst, she will now be entitled to $500 with six per cent interest from October, 1904.

The demurrer to the petition in the suit of P. W. Turner against Clinton Hostetter, a civil action, has been overruled, the defendant given leave to answer by January 2.

Judge Daniel Babst, of Crestline, came here, Tuesday, to pass on the motion of Almond Tuttle, convicted of attempting to criminally assault Flora Spicer, but no arguments were made in compliance with a request made by Tuttle's counsel, Crissinger & Guthery and H. E. Hill.

THE BUTLER HEARING BEFORE COMMISSION

Matter Will Be Given Attention December 26.

The hearing on the appeal of James Butler, former captain of the No. 1 fire department, who was permanently suspended by Safety Director James A. Knapp for incompetency and neglect of duty, will come before the civil service commission December 26, at 1 o'clock.

N. E. Arnold, president of the commision, called the meeting to hear Butler's case, and as he expected to be out of the city, the hearing could not be held before the date mentioned. The evidence taken in the hearing before the safety director will be reviewed by the civil service commission and the attorneys for the defendant state that more evidence will be introduced and the case argued. The hearing will be held in the council chamber and promises to attract much interest

To Help Handle Crowds.

Pittsburgh, Dec 19.—Football stars are responding to the merchants' call for athletic young men to help take care of the Christmas shopping crowds.

The coiffure must be small and shapely.

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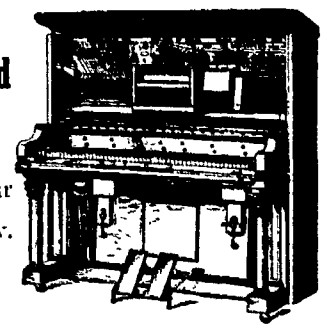

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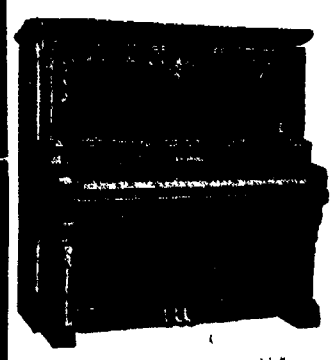

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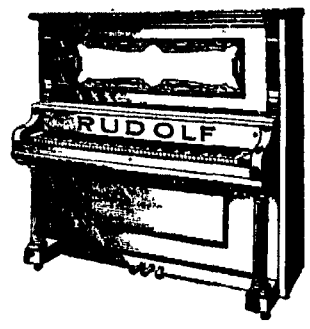

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VERY PRETTY WEDDING AT HOME OF THE BRIDE

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A Company of Intimate Friends and Relatives Are in Attendance. Young People Will Reside at Centerburg—Leave for a Trip Through Old Virginia.

The marriage of Miss Nancy Lillian Lewis and Mr. Charles David Hayden was solemnized at the home of the bride's father, Dr. R C. M. Lewis, of south Main street, Monday evening.

The wedding was very quiet, only the most immediate relatives and friends of the young people being present. But although quiet it was one of the prettiest home weddings of the season. The rooms were beautifully decorated. Ropes of smilax were twined about the chandeliers with a touch of holly here and there and bouquets of narcissus brightened the rooms. A large bouquet of the flowers graced the long mirror, facing which the bridal couple stood while Rev. G. M. Rourke of the First Presbyterian church, read the impressive ring ceremony at 7 o'clock The effect was very pretty as by the reflection of the mirror the young people faced both the minister and the company during the reading of the solemn service which made them husband and wife. Mrs. Hayden looked lovely in white Duchess satin with real lace and pearl trimmings, and carried bride roses.

After a season of congratulations an elegant wedding dinner, was served. The bride's table, at which covers were placed for six, was adorned with a large boquet of bride roses and ferns, with smilax strewn over the cloth. A canopy of streamers or holly hung from the chandeliers above the table. The remainder of the company was served at small tables. Misses Margaret Fowler, Helen Nash and Gertrude Foster assisted in serving.

While the guests were admiring the handsome gifts Mr. and Mrs. Hayden slipped from the house and a waiting cab took them to the nine-o'clock interurban car before their friends could give them a send-off. From Columbus the young people left Tuesday on a wedding trip through Virginia. After their return they will reside at Centerburg, the home of the groom.

Mrs. Hayden is a very pleasing young woman and has a wide circle of friends. She is an accomplished musician and for two years attended Oberlin college. She is a member of the Presbyterian choir. Mr. Hayden is a graduate in law of the Dennison university at Granville and is a member of the Kappa Sigma fraternity. He is the attorney for a couple of large corporations in Columbus

Those present aside from the bride's father were the groom's mother, Mrs John K. Hayden; Miss Mayme Faraba, Mr. Verne Brokaw and Mr Guy Bishop, of Centerburg; Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Lewis, Mrs. Mary Dent, Miss Mayme Weaver, Miss Stella Allen, Miss Alice Ackerman, Miss Marjory Hamilton, Miss Margaret Fowler, Miss Gertrude Foster, Miss Helen Nash, Mr. James Cooper and Mr. Oscar Dent.

Doctors to Meet.

Invitations have been issued by the Marion County Medical society for a meeting to be held, January 2, at the Marion City hospital on Blaine avenue. The object of the meeting is an evening of pleasure, profit and good fellowship. The program will consist of the annual address by Dr. A. Rhu, and the inaugural address by Dr. Fillmore Young.

Revers of coats are cut with very broad points, low and well down at the left side, nearly to the waist line.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HUMANE OFFICER

Report Shows 114 Arrests During the Past Year.

IS GUARDIAN FOR EIGHT CHILDREN

Amount of Money Collected in Fines and the Amount Paid Out for the Support of Children Coming Under the Control of the Humane Society in Year.

Humane Officer J W. Ulsh's annual report for the year, ended December 1, 1911, shows 114 arrests were made, 114 affidavits filed and 372 cases investigated.

In order to accomplish this work, the humane officer was compelled to write 163 letters and had to attend the various courts the same number of times. He was appointed guardian for minor children by the probate court in eight different cases, and collected $81 10 in fines during the year. The balance on hand December 1, 1910, was $109.22, making a total of $190.32

During the year $148.12 was expended, leaving a balance in Treasurer L. D Zachman's hands, December 1, 1911, of $42.20

One big feature of the report is that it shows that the sum of $2,676.60 was received from parents for the support of their children and that that much was paid out by the Humane society. This money came from fines and money that fathers were made to pay in non-support cases.

In his report, Humane Officer Ulsh says. "The law provides that a portion of the sheep-claim fund is to be turned over to the Humane society each year. This society has never asked for this money from the county commissioners, but has been self-supporting from the organization of the society. The money collected for the support of children has been by me turned over to wives, children, guardians, children's home, etc., and I hold their receipt for the same."

During the year the humane officer traveled approximately 3,250 miles, having visited LaRue, Prospect, Caledonia, Morral, Green Camp, Waldo, Agosta, several Marion county townships, other counties of the state and some outside the state.

MRS. A. L. DONITHEN PASSES AWAY TUESDAY

Death Comes After an Illness of Several Months.

Mrs. Charlotte M. Donithen, mother of Mrs. Weston Luellen and Hoke W. Donithen, of this city, passed away at her home at Waldo at 11:30 o'clock Tuesday. Her death was caused by paralysis. Six months ago she suffered a stroke from which she never fully recovered. Last Friday she was again stricken and had been confined to her bed since that time.

Mrs. Donithen was born in Pennsylvania and came to Waldo when about fourteen years of age. Had she lived until next March she would have been sixty-four years of age. She was married about forty-two years ago to A. L. Donithen, and to this union were born six children. Aside from her husband and children she leaves twelve grandchildren. The children are Mrs. George Michaels, Mrs. Henry Augenstine and H. O. Donithen, of Waldo; Mrs. W. E. Selanders, of Radnor, and Mrs. Weston Luellen and Hoke W. Donithen, of Marion.

The deceased was a good Christian woman and was loved by all who knew her. She will be sadly missed from the family circle.

Home From Hospital.

A. C. Edmonson, who has been taking treatment in St. Clair hospital in Columbus for several weeks, returned home, Monday night. Mr. Edmonson had a serious attack of stomach trouble. He is now much improved.

Ribbon trimmings are still in high favor for millinery.

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although the prosecutor has not as yet compiled, the law regulating the commissioners' salaries has now been explained by Attorney General Timothy S. Hogan, who holds that the new rate of pay started the third Monday in September and would be limited as stated.

FORMER MARION MAN ATTACKED BY BURGLAR

Fellow Gets Away with Watch, Money and Masonic Pin.

Robert Curtis Morrow, of Columbus, formerly of this city, was badly beaten and robbed at St. Louis, early Tuesday morning. Wednesday's Ohio State Journal in telling of Morrow's experience says:

After a short stay at St. Louis early yesterday morning to remove a diamond ring from the finger of Robert C. Morrow of 80 south Third Street awakened Mr. Morrow, who, leaping from bed, grappled with the intruder and was beaten half unconscious. The burglar escaped with Mr. Morrow's watch, a Masonic pin and a wallet containing $40.

Several of Mr. Morraw's teeth were loosened in the battle, which lasted ten minutes. It began in his room on the first floor of a Washington avenue rooming house and ended in the hall. The noise attracted the proprietress, Mrs. Crowell, who assisted over Mr. Morrow, whom she then proceeded to revive. He is the Columbus representative of the Buck Stove & Range company and went to St. Louis Saturday to attend a conference of the company's officials.

YOUNG PEOPLE WILL RESIDE ON FARM

Miss Anna E. Black and Mr. S. W. Bishop Married.

Miss Anna Elizabeth Black, of Adelaide, and Mr Samuel W. Bishop, of Richland township, were united in marriage by Rev. J. W. Schlinger at the Emanuel Lutheran parsonage on Cherry street Wednesday afternoon about 2:30 o'clock.

The young people will reside on a farm.

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Good Reasons

why everyone should have a cut of the Big Cheese we started cutting Tuesday.

1st—The rich, mellow quality (flavor stamps it—Best Made.

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R. T. Lewis & Co.

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Senator Pugh declared that the bill drawn up by the committee will pass the senate without question in substantially the form to be recommended. After a conference with Senators Moore and Finley and Congressman Gocke of the Fourth district he declared that the canvass has shown that there is strong sentiment for a special session.

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Blow Safe at Troy, but Fail To Reach Treasure Box.

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114 S Main St. Successor to W. L. DeVoy.

THE JURY DELIBERATES JUST THIRTY MINUTES

Verdict To Set Aside George Rupp Will Returned.

PLEASANT TOWNSHIP FARM IS INVOLVED

Mistake Made in the Partition of the Estate of the Late Andrew Leffler Leads to a Suit in the Court of Common Pleas—Some Court Notes of Interest.

It took the jury just thirty minutes to return a verdict to set aside the last will and testament of the late George Rupp Wednesday afternoon in the court of common pleas The action to set aside the will was brought by George Earl Waddell a grand on against Bessie I Waddell Weisman his sister and the three minor children of the plaintiff and Mrs Weisman The purpose of the suit was to bring about an equal division of the decedent's property between the two grandchildren, who agreed upon the suit Testimony to show that George Rupp was eighty years old and mentally and physically incompetent to make a will was given by the plaintiff and Attorney W P Moloney, representing the minor heirs, introduced evidence concerning the will to show that it was properly witnessed and probated The will itself was introduced in evidence

The property involved is a farm in Pleasant township George Earl Waddell was willed 100 acres and Mrs Weisman seventy-five acres for life only and it was provided that he brother should pay his sister a sum of money amounting approximately to $3,000

When partition of the property of the late Andrew Leffler was made one of the attorneys representing the heirs blundered in describing certain land with the result that real estate now owned by the Leffler estate was included

As a sequel to the error a suit to quiet title in the property at No 126 south Main street was brought by Harry A Leffler and others through Attorneys Grissinger & Guthery against Harrison G Leffler and others in the court of common pleas Thursday The property was recently purchased by Herman Feidner who expects to open a saloon and the suit is now brought by Leffler heirs to clear the title

In the suit of J E Shetterly against Henry Strehtz an action to set aside a judgment obtained against the plaintiff by Strehtz when the latter was receiver for the old Marion Milling company, Judge Daniel Babst found Thursday that the plaintiff had a valid defense vacated the judgment and gave leave to plead by December 30 Shetterly lives in Marysville He was a former Marion resident

W P Moloney who was appointed guardian ad litem for the minor defendants in the suit of George Earl Waddell against Bessie I Waddell Weisman was allowed $50 for his services by Judge Daniel Babst

The trial of the suit of Mary Taylor against C Mayo Osborne an action to recover $169 on a note and for cutting for the defendant when he was ill in Chicago was held before Judge Daniel Babst in the Court of common pleas Thursday C Mayo Osborne is a son of the late Mrs Alice I Harris of this city Mrs Taylor who formerly lived in the city but now claims Chicago as her home swore that Osborne chased around in taxicabs and tried to sell his mother's diamonds to get money with which to buy dope She also said that he had also given her another two hyperdermic injections while she lay very ill contrary to the doctor's orders Osborne, on the stand admitted that he at one time used morphine but said he had been completely cured of the habit He is now living with his young wife in Cambridge, Massachusetts In his answer and cross-petition, he set up a counter-claim against Mrs Taylor for clothing alleged to have been taken by her that belonged to his mother His counter claim amounts to over $300

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Ladies' Initial Handkerchiefs $1.50 Box

You men, who are undecided what to give, here's a good suggestion Buy a box of these pure linen hand-embroidered initial handkerchiefs They are sure to please and are so attractive. Price is **$1.50 for a box of six.**

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JOHN HARROD IS AN ERIE PRIZE WINNER

Caledonia Man Will Receive Sum of $100

THE PYTHIAN SISTERS TRANSACT BUSINESS

One Candidate Is Given Degree and a Number of Petitions Are Received—Leo Bayles Returns to Village After a Long Stay in Kansas—Some Caledonia Notes

Caledonia, O, Dec 21—[Special]—John Harrod, section foreman received a communication last week notifying him that he had been awarded the prize for the best work on the Cincinnati division of the Erie railroad He will receive $100 as a premium

The Pythian Sisters met in regular session Tuesday evening and initiated one candidate A number of petitions were received and a class of candidates will be given the degree shortly after the holidays

Mrs A Williams of Martel, spent Tuesday and Wednesday with relatives here

Mr and Mrs F E Follin of Plymouth Illinois were the guests of Mr and Mrs W H Follin, the first of the week

Mrs C J Moser of Bowling Green arrived Monday, for a few weeks visit with her parents Mr and Mrs W O Moser east of town Mrs Moser who has been at Garnett Kansas several years for the benefit of her health returned home last Friday

Earl Hartzell has been promoted to a position as foreman of the Galion section crew on the Erie railroad

Mr and Mrs J D Harrison are spending several days of this week in Cleveland

Mr and Mrs Joseph May were the guests of Cardington friends from Saturday until Monday

Miss Elizabeth Makeever of Marion, spent Saturday and Sunday with her aunt Mrs M V Neal

Mr and Mrs J C Cochran and nephew Porter Francis Makeever were the guests of the W W Shew family south of town from Saturday until Monday

William Cromwell William Martin accompanied several carloads of cattle to Buffalo Friday

The Knights of Pythias lodge will give a public installation of officers at the lodge rooms Tuesday evening, January 4

Mr and Mrs John George are in Columbus to visit the latter's mother Mrs Almeda McCracken who is receiving treatment for rheumatism there

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A number of friends of Mr and Mrs Alonzo Monnette gave them a miscellaneous shower at the home of Mr and Mrs F A Roberts Wednesday The young people received many pretty and useful presents A pleasant evening was spent

Mr and Mrs Otto Schlientz moved from Akron last week and are occupying the R K Combs property on north High street Mr Schlientz will fill the position as operator at Login

P I Wilson operator at the Erie tower has been confined to his home for the past three weeks by rheumatism

The pupils of the M E Sunday school will render their annual Christmas entertainment, Sunday evening

Lloyd and Mrs W O Gist and Mr and Mrs A E Jackson attended the funeral of Miss Catherine Scott in Pinevrus, Wednesday

BUILDING INSPECTOR GROWS IMPATIENT

Attention of Mayor Called to Condition of City Building

Carl Wilcke deputy state building inspector for this district made an inspection of the No 1 fire department Thursday and called the attention of Mayor Seiter to the condition of the building Several orders have been issued by the state department as a result of inspections made by Wilcke to close up the building if it was not repaired and placed in a safe condition The city evaded complying with the orders by claiming there was no money with which to do the work and in view of the construction of a new building

Since the fire at the building which necessitated the moving of the police department the roof has been like a sieve The building has also been weakened considerably more than it was at the time of the last inspection and the water during a rain or from melting snow runs through the roof into the sleeping apartments of the firemen The building inspector states that as a result of the existing condition the health of the firemen is in danger and should any fatality occur, the city would be liable for damages

Mr Wilcke will take the matter up with the local board of health and if the board does not take action and protect the firemen it will be taken before the state board

BIRTHS

Mr and Mrs Geo W Bolander residing west of the city are the parents of a girl born Thursday

WILLIAM RUSLER DIES AT COUNTRY HOME

Death Comes as the Result of Stroke of Paralysis.

Agosta, O, Dec 21—[Special]—William Rusler aged eighty-four years, died at the home of his son John A Rusler, a short distance north of Agosta this morning at 6 o'clock Last Tuesday evening, Mr Rusler suffered a stroke of paralysis and since that time his condition rapidly grew worse and terminated in his death Previous to the stroke he had been in comparatively good health

Mr Rusler was born in Lordstown, in Trumbull county, June 30 1827 For some time he was engaged in the sawmill business in Trumbull county and about thirty-three years ago moved to Marion county where he took up farming near Agosta He was a prosperous farmer

For some time since the death of his wife eighteen years ago Mr Rusler made his home with his son John Rusler where he died Aside from the son two daughters survive They are Mrs John D Walker of Rushsylvania, and Mrs J W Jones, of Grabull Wyoming

The funeral services will be held at the John Rusler home Saturday morning at 10 o'clock Interment will be made in the Marion cemetery

In Justice's Court.

E B Durfee, who sued J S Ulsh for an accounting in the court of Justice Charles E Gompf, was awarded a judgement for $8 47 by a jury, late Wednesday afternoon Durfee sued for $166 Ulsh claimed that he had partially paid the account in work and labor

THE OWNERS OF AUTOS MAY AVOID TROUBLE

Should Make Application for New Numbers.

AN APPLICATION MAY MEAN MUCH TO DRIVERS

The Mayor Has a Great Deal of Trouble with Drivers of Autos at the Beginning of Last Year—Decision of Mayor in Roecker Case Is Delayed—Police Notes.

Owners of automobiles will make themselves immune from arrest for not having new license numbers on their autos after January 1, if they take the precaution to file applications for their numbers before the new year Mayor Seiter had considerable trouble last year because of owners of autos failing to secure new license numbers and several drivers were arrested and fined Some were forbidden to run their automobiles on the streets of the city until the new numbers were secured

The numbers for 1912 are collision-proof It is claimed that they may be bent, run over, twisted or jumped on and will not chip, because the enamel with which they are decorated is flexible The cost of the tags for the coming year will be twenty-three and one-half cents a pair as against thirty-one cents for the present year More than 5,000 application for 1912 tags are on file at the auto registrar's office and in order to better care for the rush, distribution of the tags will start next Tuesday

The decision of Mayor Seiter on the motion to dismiss the case of Ernest Roecker, charged with keeping his saloon open on Sunday, was not rendered Thursday at the time set The attorney for the defendant was called out of the city, and at his request the mayor's decision was deferred until a late date

A marriage license has been issued to Miss Julia Ellen Fergus, of this city, and Gus A Ramsey, of Ostrander

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Closing Out the Toy Department Friday and Saturday.

ONE FOURTH OFF TOYS AND DOLLS.

Rather than carry anything over until next season we offer for Friday and Saturday every Toy in our great toy stock at **25 per cent or ¼ off.** This includes all of our dressed and undressed **DOLLS.**

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Rich taffeta silks bright finish messaline in plain or fancy effects tailored styles or those embroidered also chiffons over silk and others galore Waists in black and colors just the kinds that women desire the most A large color range as well as black

A Thousand Pairs Xmas Gloves to be Sold Friday and Saturday---A Rare Opportunity

Friday and Saturday the glove selling will be at its height, and these high grade kid gloves offered at special prices should bring the crowds here and then some

$1.00 Kid Gloves 69c Pair, Black And Colors, All Sizes

Special Values $1, $1.25 & $1.50

They are worth 25c to 50c a pair more in each instance, and what a display! Beautiful clear new shades the highest quality and the best fitting gloves that are made

A Sensational Sale of Women's High Grade Silk Hose $1.50, $2 & $2.50 Values $1.00 Pair

Here's an opportunity to get pure thread silk hose, in black as well as colors, in some instances for half of every day retail value

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See for yourselves They will go out by the dozens, for you never saw anything like it before Hardly a color but what's here There's a big supply of black.

For Final Reduction 100 Women's $5.00 Silk Umbrella to be Sold For $2.95 Each

High class umbrellas in every respect The choicest sticks, of gold silver Princes or combination gold and pearl. The covering is a splendid silk warp taffeta, noted for its wear Genuine $5 00 umbrellas in every respect, Friday and Saturday **$2 98**

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